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U.S. & THE WAR.

A REPLY FROM WASHINGTON.

TROUBLE SPREADING.

Both Sides Claim To Be Aggrieved Party.

JAPANESE OPINION FAVOURS TROOPS IN CHINA.

At the moment it is impossible to say categorically whether the trouble between the Chinese and the Japanese in Tsinan, Shantung, is spreading or abating. Drastic action has been taken and both sides claim to be the aggrieved party. However, there is hope that the United States Government may be asked to intervene officially but Washington says that it can only do so if asked by both sides.

In places other than Tsinan itself, fear of trouble has lessened somewhat. Hankow is quiet. Little has been done at Canton where holders of Japanese goods do not display apprehension over the proposed boycott.

From Chinkiang comes the report that riots and looting have occurred in the native city but the outbreaks have been quelled.

YANGTSE HAPPENINGS.

Washington, Yesterday.
With reference to the report from Shanghai that the Nationalist Government is considering inviting the United States to mediate in the Sino-Japanese conflict, the State Department has pointed out that the United States will only be able to do so if invited by both sides.—Reuter's American Service.

Chinkiang Rioting.
Chinkiang, Yesterday.
Following riots and looting in the native city, the place is now quiet.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Chinkiang is on the south bank of the Lower Yangtze, 156 miles above Shanghai and 45 miles below Nanking, the Nationalist capital.]

Hankow Improvement.
Hankow, Yesterday.
There is no appearance of anti-Japanese feeling among the Chinese.

JAPANESE TO STAY.

Latest advices through Reuter from Japanese sources point to the fact that it is realised that military occupation in the zone of activities is necessary until order and safety are restored.

ese here at the moment.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: The Japanese have a concession at Hankow. There was some agitation at Hankow when the first news of the Tsinan incident got through.]

Support For Tanaka.
Osaka, To-day.

The "Asahi" deplores the fiendish massacre of civilians by the Southerners and considers that now it is imperative to maintain troops to safeguard Japanese nationals and secure reparations.

The "Asahi" has been consistently opposed to the despatch of troops but in view of the gravity of the situation temporarily, it shelve its opposition to Premier Tanaka's Chinese policy and concedes that the Government must take vigorous measures to protect Japanese residents from inhuman molestations of armed brutes.

Honour Must Be Upheld.
The Osaka "Mainichi" fears that all hopes of a peaceful, diplomatic settlement will be shattered when the Southerners persistently and deliberately attack the Japanese garrison.

Commander has been patient and conciliatory, it says, and he only made up his mind to fight when the honour of his country was trampled. National honour must be upheld at any cost, the "Mainichi" adds.—Reuter.

International Train.
Tsinan, Yesterday.

Reports from Tsinan state that an international train is running to Tsinan this afternoon at the request of the Consular Body after the Japanese had notified them that Japanese troops may be forced to start military operations at any moment.

Later.
About seventy foreigners left Tsinan this morning on the international train for Tsinan.—Reuter.

Missionaries Recalled.
Peking, Yesterday.

The London and Methodist Missionaries are recalled from the north of Shantung.

province and the south of Chihli Province to Tientsin.—Reuter.

Drastic Decision.
Tsinan, Yesterday.

A report from Tsinan states that the Japanese troops having decided that drastic action was necessary, attacked and routed the Chinese Southern troops this morning, blowing up their powder magazine. Japanese reinforcements which left Tsinan yesterday for Tsinan yesterday are reported to have clashed with Southerners at Changtien, on route.—Reuter.

Not Confirmed.
Tokyo, Yesterday.

Enquiries at the Japanese War Office fail to confirm the preceding reports, though it is intimated that there may have been some sporadic fighting.

Purpose of Re-Attack.
Tokyo, Yesterday.

A despatch from Tsinan appears to confirm the report from Tsinan of the re-attack by Japanese troops, which it is stated was carried out for the purpose of maintaining railway and telegraphic communications as well as for the protection of the lives and property of Japanese residents. For this purpose the railway station, the military barracks, the telegraph and telephone offices and other strategic points have been occupied by the Japanese.—Reuter.

Japanese Official Version.
Peking, Yesterday.

A Japanese official communique from Tsinan says:—
The Japanese General in command of the Expeditionary Force demanded that the Southerners should withdraw outside a zone twenty li (i.e., six miles) on each side of the Shantung Railway. The Chinese refused and took offensive measures. Thereupon the Japanese decided to take active measures to enforce the demand. They published a proclamation in the Chinese language to that effect. At 8 a.m. a part of the 13th Japanese regiment was reconnoitring the northern suburbs of Tsinan along the railway when the Southerners suddenly fired on them. Heavy fighting ensued. The Japanese fire exploded the Chinese munition dump and also set fire to the Chinese barracks, forcing the Chinese to evacuate them. The Southerners are attacking the railway zone in great numbers. A battle was raging at 11 a.m.—Reuter.

Demands Rejected.
Tokyo, Yesterday.

It is reported from Tsinan that fighting in Tsinan opened this morning after the Southerners had rejected the Japanese demands, which are reported to be the punishment of the commanders of the troops responsible for the murders of Japanese, the disarmament of the Southern troops who committed the outrages, the cessation of anti-Japanese demonstration as well as military preparations.—Reuter.

Opinion in Japan.
Tokyo, Yesterday.

Despite expressions of deep indignation at the Southern barbarities, the Japan Press and public generally are notably calm. There is no sign of resentment against individual Chinese residents in Japan.

The main fear appears to be the Chinese attempt to raise foreign sympathy by anti-Japanese efforts.—Reuter.

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NOT ANTI-BRITISH.

General Yang Sen Gives An Understanding.

UPPER YANGTSE SHIPS.

Improvement Sets In Along Upper Reaches Of River.

An improvement has set in along the upper stretch of the Yangtze River through General Yang Sen having given an understanding that there will be no interference with British shipping.

The situation, states a British Naval wireless despatch, appears to be satisfactory, following the strike agitation fomented by local Chinese interests.

Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's s.s. "Kintang" has arrived at Ichang from down-river—being the first British vessel to do so since the recent trouble—and has gone on to Wanshsien.

Semi-Independent State.
Yang Sen maintains a semi-independent government from about 350 miles above Hankow, in Hupeh province, to the east of Szechuan province.

Action was threatened against Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s s.s. "Kingwo" at Chungking. It will be recalled, and it is now presumed that without official backing, the incident can be regarded as closed.

UNSANITARY.

SIX PERSONS SLEEPING IN A BASEMENT.

COURT SEQUEL.

An elderly Chinese, the tenant of No. 39, Square-street, was this morning summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindell by Sanitary Inspector sleeping purposes, contrary to an order of the Sanitary Department.

It was stated that the order to close the basement was made last year, but when the Inspector visited the place on Monday night he found six people there. One was fast asleep, while five others were lying on a mat on the floor smoking opium.

The defendant said that the place was not habitually used as sleeping quarters. What happened on this occasion was that some folks after work in the evening took mats to the basement to smoke opium and fell asleep there.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$25, and warned the defendant that he would be fined \$100 if he again came before the Court for a similar offence.

Defendant (an old man) said that he did not have the money to pay the fine, and was given the alternative of 14 days' imprisonment.

A summons against the owner of the house was mentioned, and the Magistrate was told that it had not been served as the man whose name was taken from the rent receipts could not be found.

His Worship adjourned the summons sine die, and directed that the owner of the house be brought to Court wherever found and the summons served on him.

allegations and propaganda. Though demanding that justice be meted out and that the Chinese responsible for the outrages be fittingly punished, the newspapers urge the Southern leaders to do their utmost to prevent further clashes, which will only aggravate the seriousness of the situation.—Reuter.

The Charge of Murder.
Tokyo, Yesterday.

The allegation that Japanese troops have murdered Mr. Tsai Kung-hsih (Nationalist Commissioner of Foreign Affairs at Tsinan) and sixteen other officials at Tsinan has been proved to be unfounded. It is believed the report was deliberately circulated by the Chinese authorities for the purpose of evading responsibility for the Tsinan affair. On the contrary, evidence is reported to show that the Japanese troops have protected Chinese officials.—Reuter.

Reinforcements.
Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Japanese Cabinet has decided to despatch the Nagoya division to Tsinan. Its war basis will probably be from 15,000 to 18,000 men. The Emperor's sanction will be requested tomorrow.—Reuter.

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TWO CEREMONIES.

Sir Cecil Clementi's Departure.

OFFICIAL SEND-OFF.

Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern Sworn In As Administrator.

Two important ceremonies in connection with the Government of the Colony were held this morning.

H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., was accorded an official send-off on going on leave. The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary) was for the second time sworn in as Officer Administering the Government.

It is hardly necessary to say that the function at Queen's Pier this morning, when His Excellency left, was very imposing.

The entrance to the pier was draped with two large Union Jacks. Bunting and ferns were used for decorating the interior and a large assembly lined up on

CANTON TAKES PART.

Marshal Li Chai-sum Sends A Representative.

Perhaps the greatest compliment paid to H.E. the Governor when he embarked at Queen's Pier this morning was that by Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at Canton.

Mr. Chu had been specially commissioned by Marshal Li Chai-sum, chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, to attend as his representative and bid Sir Cecil Clementi goodbye.

His Excellency was noticed to have a long and earnest conversation with Mr. Chu.

both sides of the red carpet to say "goodbye."

Touch of Colour.

When the guard of honour from the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers, under command of Major B. C. Lake, D.S.O., arrived, the approaches to the Pier, Statue-square and adjacent buildings were crowded with sightseers who were kept back by cordons.

The Borderers' band, under Mr. W. H. FitzGerald, A.R.C.M., Bandmaster, was also on duty.

There was a wonderful touch of colour on the pier. The Consular Body were in morning attire, but a few preferred uniforms, the French Consul-General (Mons. M. G. Dufaur de la Prade) being a prominent figure with his Legion of Honour decoration. His Excellency the Governor wore official dress with plumed helmet and was a very striking figure.

The Government officials mostly wore morning dress with top hats, but the Chief Justice wore a topee and there were others in conventional lounge suits.

Ladies in Japanese Dress.

Mrs. Southern and all the official ladies in residence arrived on the scene at an early hour.

Naval officers were in white uniforms with their decorations conspicuous in the sunlight, and the military officers were likewise in their khaki.

There were Chinese gentlemen in morning dress and top hats but the majority had their long gowns mounted with the ceremonial short jacket.

One or two of the ladies were in Japanese national costume, these being the ladies of the Japanese Consulate-General. Lady Shou-son Chow was one of the few Chinese ladies present and she wore a Chinese dress.

Master Clementi's Friend.

A very human touch was noticed shortly after the arrival of the Hon. Mr. Southern with Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi's four children. Master Clementi was with the group. He shouted "goodbye" to one of the Indian chauffeurs from Government House but the latter could not hear. Master Clementi sought permission and went outside the pier to shake hands and say goodbye to his friend.

Those in attendance on His Excellency included Captain A. J. L. Whyte, R. E. and Captain P. Perfect (2nd K.O.S.B.), Aides-de-Camp and Captain E. R. Forster (Private Secretary).

On the arrival of His Excellency

and Lady Clementi, the guard of

honour presented arms and the band played the national anthem. His Excellency, accompanied by Colonel Comyn (the officer commanding the Borderers) and Captain Whyte, then inspected the guard and proceeded on to the wharf.

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ONE MORE PIRACY.

Junk Attacked In British Waters.

CREW OVER-POWERED.

Pirates Steal Part Of Cargo And Personal Effects.

Early this week, yet another piracy in British waters was reported to have occurred off Lin-ku-tau, in the vicinity of Deep Bay. The victim of this outrage was a trading junk which had left Taping market at noon on Saturday with a cargo of 160 piculs of cinchona for Hong Kong.

On Sunday evening, the junk was some 600 yards from the shore off Lin-ku-tau, and the crew were asleep when six men, armed with revolvers, came alongside in a small boat and boarded the junk before any of the crew was aware that anything was amiss.

Once on board, the pirates employed their usual methods in such hold-ups. The crew were forced into the hold and the cover fastened over them. The pirates then ransacked the junk and eventually rowed away with part of the cargo and personal effects of the crew valued at \$420.

After a great effort the crew of the junk managed to remove the hatch cover and free themselves. Evidently the pirates had intended returning for more loot, as they had left two of their number as guard. These men were overpowered by the crew, in spite of the fact that one of them had a revolver which he attempted to use twice, but on both occasions the shots missed. Instead of bringing the captives to justice, however, the junk people, for reasons best known to themselves, threw both overboard after administering a severe thumping, and then immediately sailed away from the scene, arriving at Chekwan at about midnight.

A report of the piracy was made to the Chinese customs launch "Diu On" which was met on the way. She searched for the pirate craft, but without success.

The crew of the pirated junk reached Hong Kong yesterday afternoon and immediately made a report to the police.

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NOTICES.

BRITISH LEGION.
HONG KONG BRANCH.

THE 7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at 5.15 p.m. on FRIDAY, 11th May, 1928, in the Board Room of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Business:—To receive the report and accounts for the year 1927.

To elect officers, etc.

A. PIERCY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th May, 1928.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 17th May, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1927.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th May, 1928, both days inclusive.

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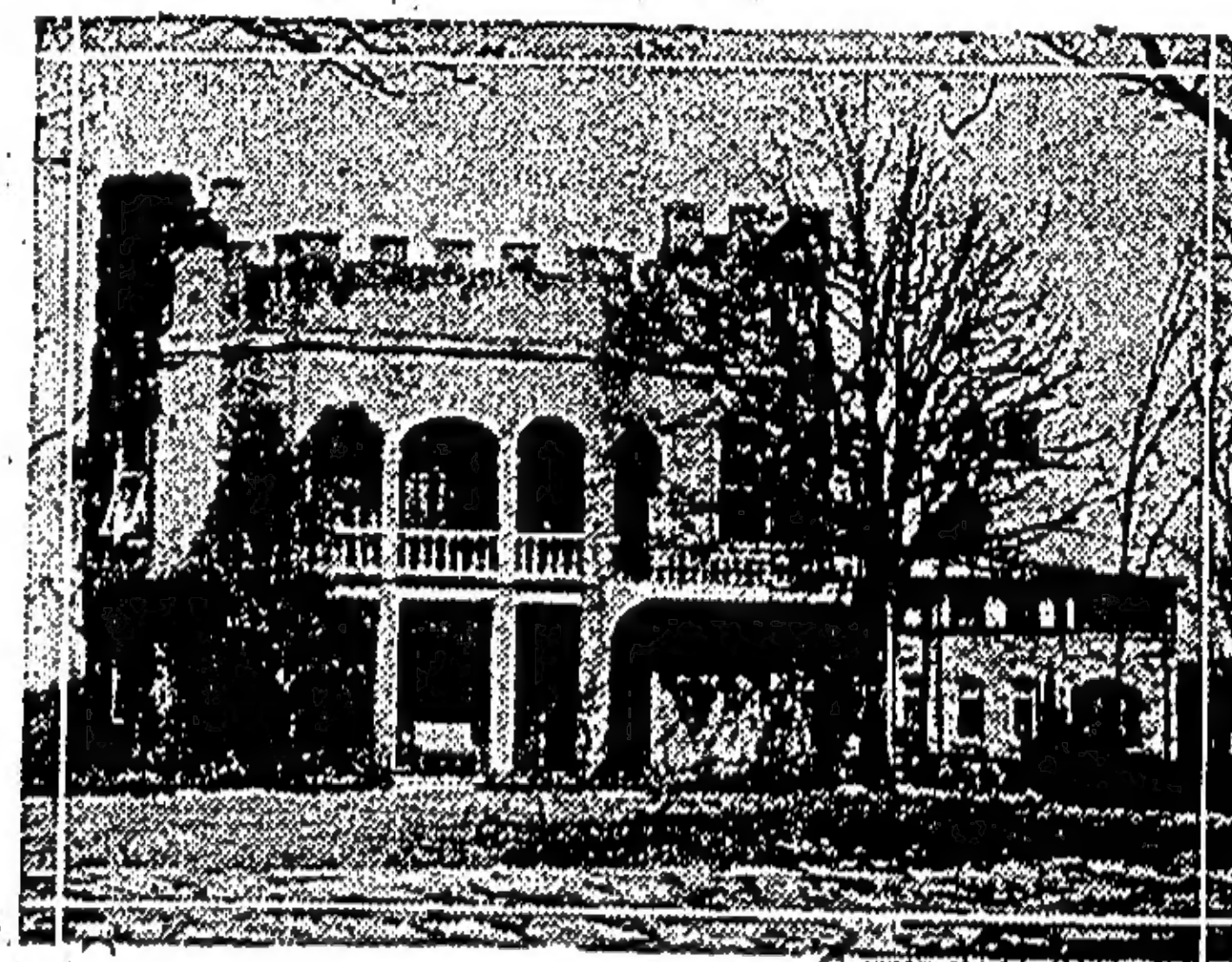
BIG BERTHA.

HOW THE GREAT GUN WAS
THOUGHT OUT.

10 YEARS AGO.

Paris.—Ten years ago the first shell from Big Bertha fell on Paris. Much mystery existed about this gun, and quite recently some details were given on the subject purporting to come from a lecture delivered in Innsbruck by an Austrian officer, who may have been Colonel Fritz Heidl, the sub-director of instruction of Austrian artillery.

The original idea of Big Bertha came from a naval gun. In 1915 the Germans, wishing to make use of the heavy naval guns in their arsenals, for which no use could be found at sea owing to the inconvenient proximity of the British navy, thought of bombarding Dunkirk and neighbouring towns at long range with 800mm. ships' guns carrying a specially light shell so as to increase the range. While the 800s. were being tried near Cuxhaven for the purpose it was found that these light shells went much further than was expected.



Asheville, N. C.—The mansion called "Zealandia," owned by Philip S. Henry, millionaire, and offered to President Coolidge as a Summer White House for 1928. The estate is located on the summit of Beaconer Mountain—500 feet above Asheville—commanding an unsurpassed view of the Blue Ridge and Great Smoky Mountains. Mr. Henry was formerly a New Zealander, but is now an American citizen.

pected. The range actually attained was 55 kilometres. From this surprise was born Big Bertha and the idea of bombarding Paris. The Krupp ballistic experts attributed the great range attained to the fact that the shells fired at a very high angle penetrated into a superior, much lighter, and consequently far less resisting layer of air.

Internal Tube.

They then took a similar 800mm. gun and fitted it with an internal tube of 210mm. The gun had a barrel of 17.13 metres, but the tube was 30 metres long, that is to say, stuck out nearly 12 metres beyond the muzzle of the gun itself.

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American Account.

Washington.—The Ordnance Bureau of the War Department has disclosed a complete description of the huge German guns used to shell Paris during the war. The descriptions are accompanied by photographs exposed by United officers, who inspected the guns in an Austrian gun factory, where seven were built. The main features of the gun, intended to shell Paris only, were that they were reconstructed from worn out 15-inch naval guns, first for 8.2-inch shells and afterwards rebored for 9.45-inch, and that they were in two sections, one 98 feet 6 inches long and the other 19.7 feet.

Each gun weighed just under 142 tons, and the shells had a muzzle velocity of nearly a mile per second. The projectile weighed 264 lbs. and was 6ft. 6in. long. The maximum range of the guns was 76 miles and the projectile had to reach an altitude of 24 miles to cover that maximum range.

The War Department was informed that the life of the big guns was the firing of 50 shells. It will be recalled that 183 such shells fell within Paris and 120 outside, so that six big guns must have been in use. Ordnance officials declare that such guns will not be constructed again.

Mr. H. L. Milbourne has arrived in Hankow to take up the position of United States Vice-Consul. He was formerly stationed at Amoy. He will relieve Mr. Richard P. Butrick, who will sail shortly on his way to the United States on home leave.

CUP "THAT CHEERS."

ITS INFLUENCE ON WOMEN
WORKERS.

TEA DRINKING.

The effect of a cup of tea or cocoa, with a brief spell of rest, on women workers is discussed in an Industrial Fatigue Research Board report issued recently.

"There is a widely held impression that a cup of tea acts as a powerful but harmless stimulant to flagging energies," states the report. "One large firm visited by us are so convinced of its efficacy that they offer a free cup of tea or cocoa to every worker in the morning and afternoon work spells and during the dinner hour."

At a factory where workers were given a 15-minutes rest-pause in each work spell, during which they went to the canteen, and had a free tea provided each afternoon, the percentage of workers leaving during the year 1923, 1924, and 1925 was 25. In a second factory, where the workers had a three-minutes pause in which to drink tea provided by the management, the leaving percentage was 42;

"BLOOD SPORTS."

MEETING THAT WAS BANNED
AT OXFORD.

"YOUNG BARBARIANS."

Oxford.—The action of Dr. F. W. Pember, Vice-Chancellor of the university, in forbidding the holding of a meeting against blood sports in Oxford during term time was severely criticised when the postponed meeting took place here. The meeting was organised by the League for the Prevention of Cruel Sports.

Lord Olivier, who presided, said: "It is not for me to interfere with or criticise the educational views of the Vice-Chancellor, but I should have thought a meeting of this kind would have been more educational in term time than out of it, for the very reasons the Vice-Chancellor gave."

"Dr. Pember knew these young barbarians, for he said that if the meeting was held in term time there would be a shindy and a row. If these 'sportsmen' had come here to make a row it would have shown the ideas on chivalry and courtesy of men who call themselves sportsmen. Nothing would have pleased me more than to have the biggest row that we could have had in this room."

Another speaker, Mr. W. A. Sibly, headmaster of Wylliffe College, Stonehouse, Gloucester, said: "I am an old Oxford man and I should like to have seen the Bullingdon Club and other clubs at this meeting. Oxford has been called 'the home of lost causes,' and it is a sad reflection that in the twentieth century it should be impossible to hold a meeting to protest against cruelty in this university, which is the premier university in our country and probably in the world."

KAISER'S RELATIVE.

EXCLUSION FROM BELGIAN CONGO.

Brussels.—In view of Press reports crediting the ex-Kaiser's Russian brother-in-law, M. Alexander Zoubkoff, with the intention of proceeding to the Belgian Congo, it is stated here that the Ministry of the Colonies has not yet received any application of any sort from M. Zoubkoff.

It is added on semi-official authority that in the event of an application of this nature being received the Government will not grant the necessary visa to allow M. Zoubkoff to settle in the Congo.

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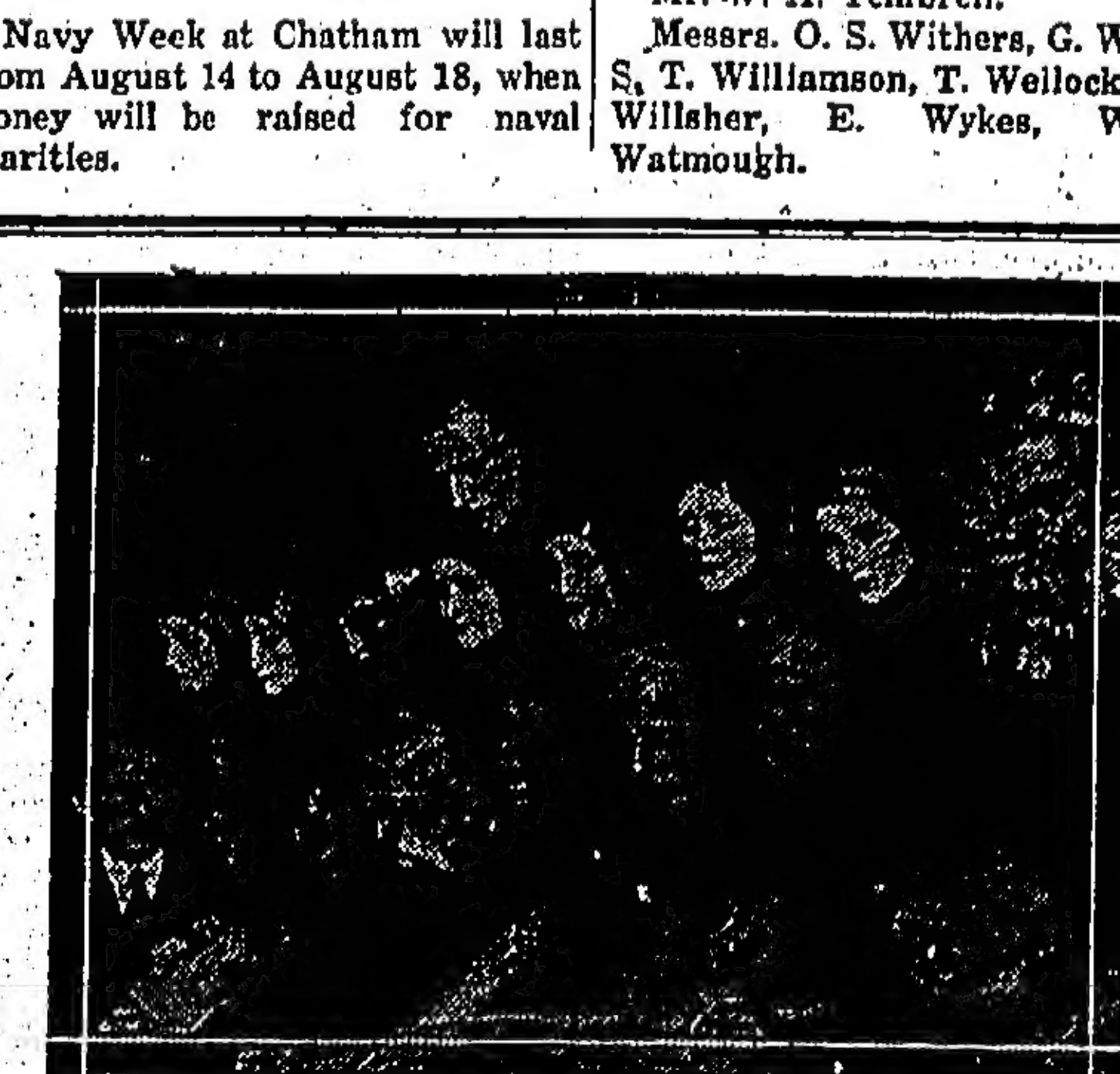
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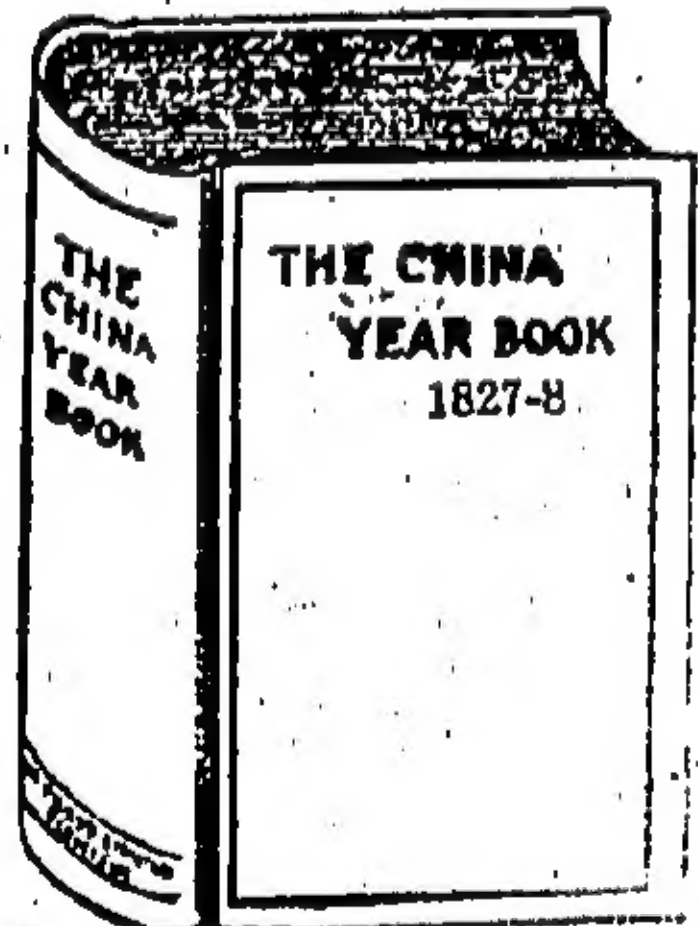
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EXISTENCE OF PRECARIOUS SITUATION.

OVER-EXTENSION.

According to a special report issued in the "Bulletin d'Information" of the Central Committee of French Shipowners, the general situation of the Dutch shipbuilding yards is anything but satisfactory. For this state of affairs there are various causes, some general and others special. The numerous shipbuilding yards which were created immediately after the war in all maritime countries, when there were expectations of large orders for new tonnage, gave rise to such severe competition that it soon became practically impossible to secure contracts which would yield even a moderate profit. On the other hand, the price of plates and shipbuilding steel in general has increased to such an extent since the formation of the steel "cartel" as to become a real menace to the shipbuilding industry, which formerly was often able to profit by the bitter rivalry which prevailed between the English and German steel producers.

Since 1923 it would appear, according to the report mentioned, that it has been impossible to construct in Holland any merchant ship on which the builders could realise a profit. It is only from warship construction that any remuneration has been obtained. The reason for this is that in Holland, as in other countries, there are too many shipyards in proportion to the needs of the shipowners, who already have more tonnage than they require. These establishments, especially those of Rotterdam, underwent an extraordinary extension during the war, but the present day orders are insufficient to enable them to earn

even a bare living. The Rotterdamse Droogdok Maatschappij has no fewer than 18 building slips, and could by itself alone construct all the new mercantile tonnage required by Holland.

Repair Competition Keen.

The only profits which the shipbuilding yards have realised, apart from warship construction, have come from orders given out a long time ago or from repairs necessitating drydocking. In this respect the Amsterdamse Droogdok Maatschappij has shown good progress as compared with 1925 and 1926, although in this field also competition is becoming very bitter. English shipowners, the "Bulletin" says, are endeavouring, as far as possible, to have their ships repaired in their own country; German ships no longer go to Amsterdam, while a large number of Dutch vessels are sent for repair to Hamburg or to the Baltic.

The Dutch shipbuilders, it is declared, prefer to let an order slip through their fingers so as to be sure of not incurring a loss by accepting it, as has been the case in the course of the last few years. Occasionally there are circumstances which the submission of a tender at a low price as, for example, when the builders happen to be holding a large stock of the prime materials, (or when it is a question of a type of ships which has already been built at the yard and of which the plans and model are still in existence, these all being circumstances which make it possible to effect considerable economies.

In the absence of these favourable factors, however, any tender at a low price will inevitably bring about a loss of money. Sometimes one will find shipbuilders who are willing to work at reduced prices in the hope that an intensive exploitation of their building slips will enable them to realise a profit. Facts, however, have invariably shown, the fallaciousness of such

reasoning. Thus the Dutch shipbuilding yards are now displaying a tendency to reject orders by which they have nothing to gain. Forty-Eight-Hour Week Blamed.

The main fact which emerges from this brief survey is that the demand for new tonnage stands in no sort of proportion to the capacity for production which the Dutch shipbuilding yards had acquired during the war. On the other hand, a certain number of orders have come from abroad—a submarine for Turkey, three steamers for Belgium, and a few orders for English account. These offer some slight compensation for the Dutch contracts which have been sent out of the country. Nevertheless, the prospects for maritime construction in Holland are far from satisfactory, and even admitting that the ten or a dozen orders for new tonnage which are anticipated for this year are all placed in the Netherlands, they will still be inadequate for the productive capacity of the industry.

"In maritime circles," the "Bulletin" concludes, "there is no hesitation in attributing the decline of the Dutch shipbuilding industry to the 48-hour week and a not sufficiently intensive exploitation of the machinery. And in order to be entirely just it is necessary to add to these causes the well-known slowness of the Dutch workman."

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CAIRN LINE.

OVERWHELMING MAJORITY IN FAVOUR.

A special general meeting of the Cairn Line Steamships was held in Newcastle, to confirm the resolutions approving of the reduction of capital passed at an extraordinary meeting on March 20.

Sir William Noble, Bart., was in the chair, and the resolutions were passed by an overwhelming majority.

Mr. R. S. Tate, of Trimdon, again led the opposition to the proposals. He attacked them as being unnecessary in view of the excellent state of the fleet, and suggested that the shareholders had never given the details to which they were entitled on the matter. He also suggested that it was strange that proposals for reduced capital should coincide with the arrangement between Cairns Noble and Co., the managing firm, and Furness Withy and Co. He moved that the meeting be adjourned, and a committee of shareholders be appointed. He said that he and those who agreed with him were prepared to carry their opposition to Court when the application was made.

Sir William Noble ruled the motion out of order, and said that much of Mr. Tate's speech was irrelevant to the questions before the meeting, but permitted him to read the long statement he had prepared.

Replying to Mr. Tate, the Chairman said that the coincidence referred to by Mr. Tate was a coincidence and nothing else. Some shareholders failed to appreciate the difference between physical depreciation and fall in values. They had built ships and they had to build to carry on their trade at a time when ships' plates were £19 per ton, and now they were about £8. They had one ship which cost £380,000, which could now be built for less than half that amount. Neither their company nor any other could carry on meeting such reduced values out of profits. The proposals would put the company on sound financial basis, and he was pleased to say that the proxies showed that they had an overwhelming body of shareholders with them.

At the close, several of the old shareholders expressed their confidence in Sir Wm. Noble and his directors, and a vote of thanks was carried with acclamation.

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In comparing the cargo-carrying and non-cargo-carrying tonnage it is found that the percentage in ballast was increased as regards arrivals from 24.7 per cent. in 1926 to 28.9 per cent. in 1927, but decreased for outgoing tonnage per cent. in 1927. The total increase in the former instance falls on foreign vessels. The ballast percentage has decreased for outgoing Swedish vessels from 16.2 in 1926 to 15.4 in 1927, but increased for foreign vessels from 15.8 to 15.7. It thus appears that with regard to cargo the position for Swedish vessels showed improvement.

The total tonnage of vessels arriving in Sweden in 1927 was increased for all the more important nations. German vessels show the largest increase, which is probably connected with the large increase of the iron ore exports, amounting to more than 3 million tons, as compared with 1926. Of this increase the main part arises from exports from Swedish harbours. The greater part of the iron ore exports is shipped on foreign vessels, mainly German.

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JEYPORE	5,318	2nd June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
DELTA	8,097	9th June	Bombay, Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
MIRZAPUR	7,115	16th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	10,001	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
INOVARA	9,989	30th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Hull, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
KHYBER	9,114	7th July	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	10,519	21st July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
INANKIN	7,058	28th July	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
KASHMIR	8,985	4th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	10,568	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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*DEVANHA	8,155	17th May	Shanghai, Kobe, Osaka & Y'ham.
*MIRZAPUR	7,115	21st May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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RAWALPINDI	10,519	22nd June	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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KASHMIR	8,985	6th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ARAFURA	6,000	10th July	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	10,568	20th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KALYAN	9,144	3rd Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Dealing with the question of sealing operations in the White Sea, in the columns of an Oslo contemporary, Captain Chr. Steenstrup states that this year six vessels have been lost, fourteen in 1927, seven in 1926 and nine in 1925, or a total of 36 in the four years, and he says that it is to be feared that further losses will take place.

On the other hand, he states that the Russians carry on sealing operations in the White Sea with large steel steamers, but it has not been heard that any of them have been lost. On the coast of Newfoundland sealing operations have been conducted for many years past on a much larger scale than by the Norwegians, but one does not hear of losses of the extent prevailing in the case of the Norwegian fleet. It must be obvious that matters cannot continue in this manner, as the sealing interests must either arrange their system or the trade will be over in a few years' time. The shipping companies have followed with the times by modernising their fleet, and the whaler companies have also followed the example, whereas the sealing undertakings still use old and small tonnage, which will soon have a world record in the percentage loss.

As the sealing fleet is retrogressing numerically and in quality, the captain states that the insurance premiums are rising and must increase year by year until the underwriters will not accept the risk or there are no more sealing vessels to insure.

According to later information, the captain of the Michael Sars has telegraphed to Bergen announcing that a total of thirteen sealing vessels have been lost this year, the names of which are given. All the crews have been rescued.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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T'au via Swatow & S'hai	HANGSANG	Sun., 20th May at Noon
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	KUTSANG	Sat., 19th May at 7 a.m.
Moji & Kobe		
Canton	WAISHING	Wed., 9th May at 9 a.m.
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DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed by the A.M.L. liner "Pres. McKinley" for San Francisco on May 8 were:-

Mr. F. A. Hollabaugh, Mr. Louis Howe, Mrs. John C. McCutchen, Mrs. J. C. and Mr. McCutchen, Mrs. Chas. H. Orman, Mrs. Amelia Perry, Miss J. B. Perry, Miss S. Simmons, Mr. A. B. Giles, Mr. A. Pastor, Mrs. C. B. De Pastor, Mr. J. Reese, Miss G. Baggaly, Father John V. McEvoy, Father Frances X. Rooney, Miss H. L. Bailey, Miss G. Boyer, Mr. J. H. M. Butler, Lt. and Mrs. J. B. Daniels, Mr. J. Daniels, Mr. M. Gamboa, Mr. E. J. Green, Mrs. Ellen Greenfield, Mr. P. Greenfield, Miss R. Greenfield, Miss N. H. Knapp, Mr. Alex. M. Massabini, Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Moore, Mrs. R. Orman, Miss N. Orman, Mr. S. Urgulio, Mrs. Marjory White, Miss Marilyn White, Mr. Edward E. Christensen, Mr. Carl E. Christopherson, Dr. and Mrs. B. Joven, Mr. J. L. Hunter, Mr. J. M. Wilson, Mr. J. L. Hunter, Miss A. A. Bailey, Miss H. B. Wallace, Mr. S. C. Shu, Mr. C. H. Chawng, Mr. A. S. Withers, Mr. K. S. Lui, Mr. W. L. Wong, Mr. R. A. Bailey, Miss E. Atkinson, Mrs. L. M. Howe, Mr. Hermann Yaeger, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sear, Mr. W. H. Tumbrell, Mr. C. H. Johnson, Mr. T. Wallock, Mr. and Mrs. Chang See-chung, Mr. P. D. McFeat, Mr. P. M. Chiu, Mr. H. P. D'Arcy, Mr. M. Borgeer, Mr. E. A. McCoomb, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Dennett, Mrs. L. R. Ashby, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hininger, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Shriver, Mr. A. E. Willsher, Mr. Ballantyne, Capt. and Mrs. Geo. Anderson, Mrs. L. M. Smith, Mr. Silvano Leon, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Faustian, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cale, Mr. Quan Wye, Mr. Chan Chong, Mr. E. Wykes, Mr. and Mrs. D. Ballantyne, Baron Carl Braun, Mr. Jose N. Ferreira, Mr. H. B. Hawkins, Mr. A. E. Corbet, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Dodlos, Mr. W. J. A. Mallon.

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The P. & O. s.s. "Delta" left Singapore for this port on May 5 at p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about 10 a.m.

The motor vessel "Javanese Prince" from New York sailed from Shanghai yesterday, and is expected to arrive here to-morrow afternoon.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 4 p.m. with the Mails, and is due here on May 11 at about 7 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Bencleuch" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here on May 11.

The P. & O. s.s. "Novara" left Singapore for this port on May 6 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on May 12 at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on April 27 and is due here on May 14.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Yokohama yesterday left Yokohama on the same day at 5 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on May 15 in the afternoon. She will sail for Manila on May 16 at 5 p.m.

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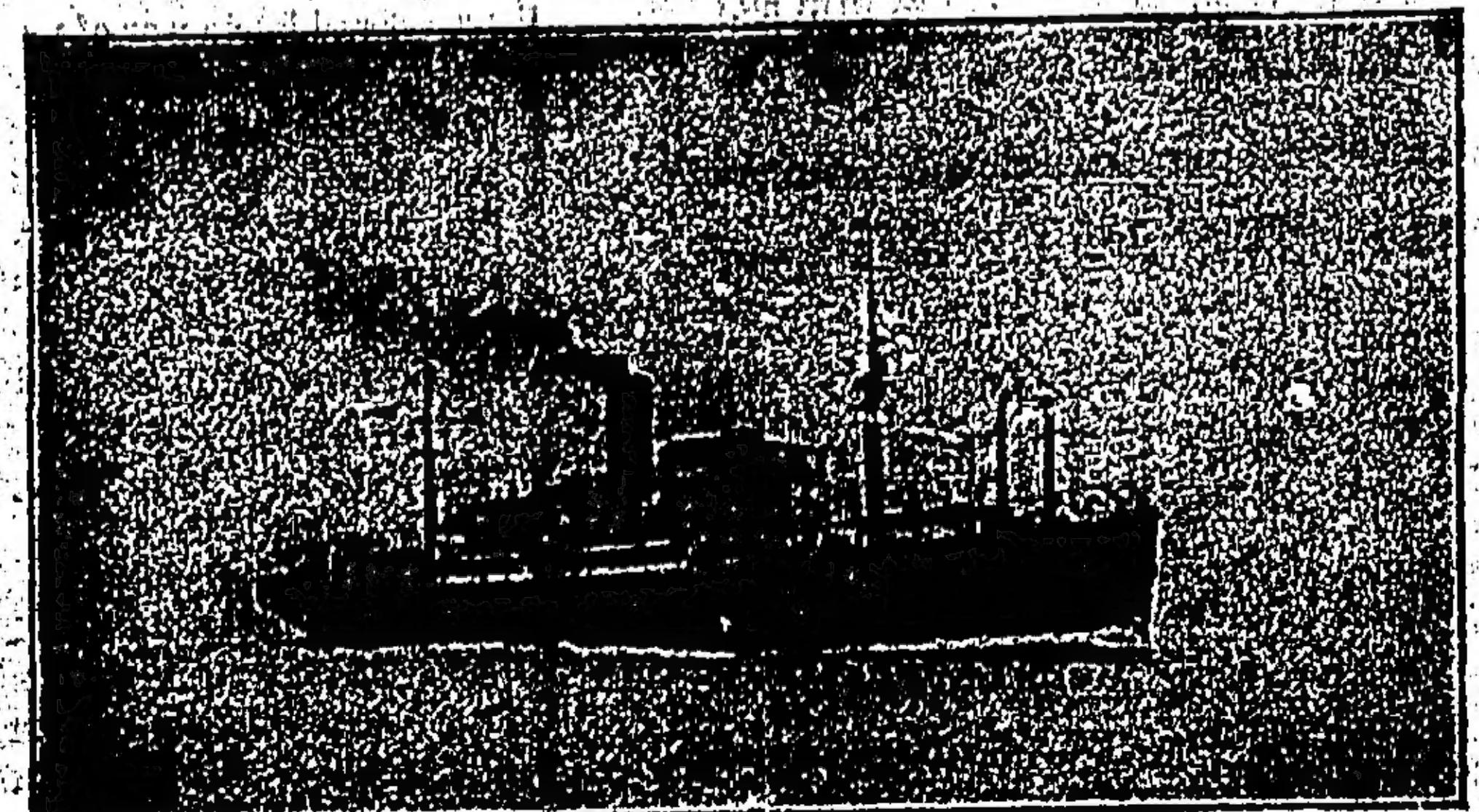
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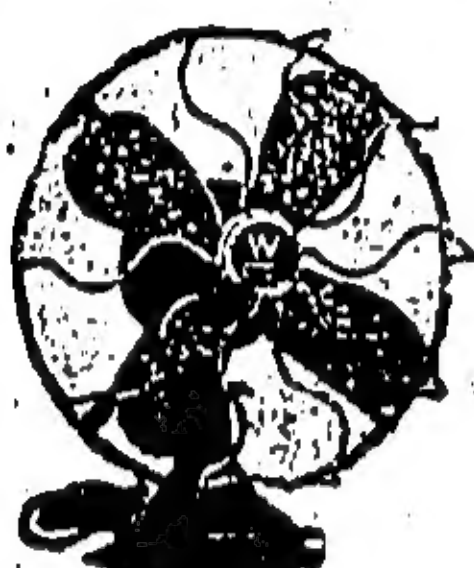
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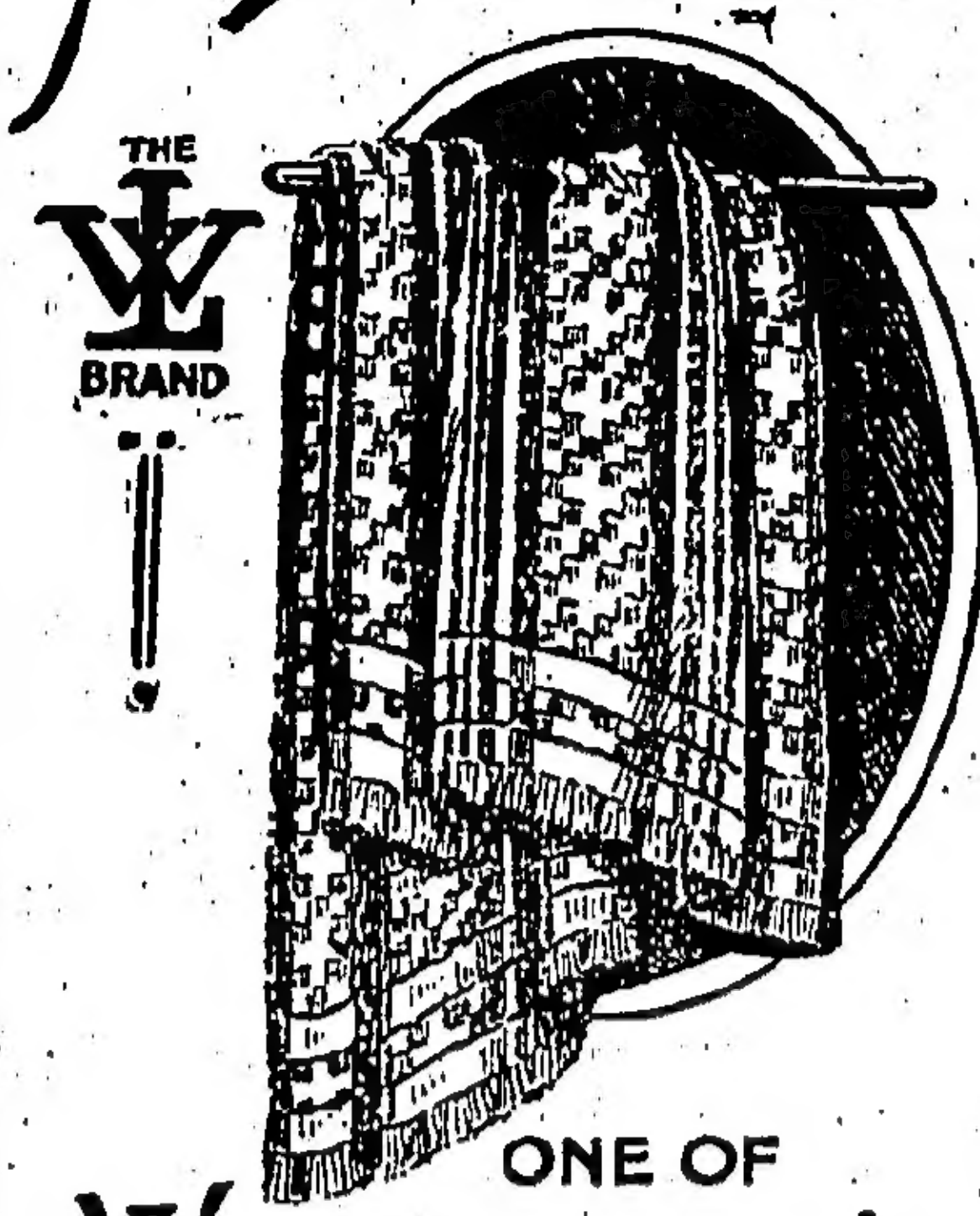
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Hong Kong, Wednesday, May 9, 1928.

REVENGE IN TENFOLD.

The Sino-Japanese differences
in Shantung have now, it seems,
developed into a war of recrimination.
Each accuses the other of
having started the trouble; each
accuses the other of having per-
petrated atrocities. The Chinese
have a splendid point when they
say the Japanese should never
have attempted to send their
troops into the interior of China;
the Japanese have a splendid
point when they say they were
not going to stand aside
when their nationals were in dan-
ger. At this stage we are not—
we cannot—blame either the
Japanese or the Southerners,
whatever this term may exactly
mean. Perhaps, however, the re-
criminatory battle which now en-
sues will result in the cessation of
actual hostilities, which would be
for the good.

The new outbreak between the
Japanese and the Southern troops
occurred, we are now informed,

following the latter rejecting de-
mands made by the Japanese re-
garding withdrawal from Tsinan.
The presentation of the Japanese
ultimatum happened to have been
made practically on the anniver-
sary of the enforcement of the
famous Twenty-One Demands.
We cannot say that memory of
China's humiliation on that fete-
ful day twelve years ago in-
fluenced the decision of the
Southerners who were gathered in
the vicinity of Tsinan, but the oc-
casion was hardly propitious for
the submission of demands of
any sort. However, there was
fighting instead of a withdrawal,
and it is impossible at this stage
to say who were the aggressors.

Latest advices from Tokyo
suggest that Japanese opinion in
regard to the necessity of taking
stern action against the Southerners
is strengthening. This, of
course, is because of the repetition
of reports dealing with alleged
atrocities against Japanese na-
tionals. In some quarters last
week-end the Tsinan imbroglio
was described as another Nanking
outrage. This, thanks to Japa-
nese intervention, it will never be.
While America is content to ne-
gotiate a settlement and Britain is
content to hope for the best,
Japan has been watching patient-
ly and intently, always ready to
fall into a state of protective
aggression should danger threaten
her nationals in China. At
Tsinan and other places there
may from time to time occur in-
dividual outrages, but the effect
will never be what it was at Nan-
king, where the attackers escaped
punishment. For every outrage
upon a Japanese in China Japan
will exact revenge in ten-fold
measure, and although we may
not all agree with the rate of ex-
change, there is—in view of Nan-
king—something to be said for
their determination not to tolerate
another insult as the one that was
inflicted on the banks of the Yang-
tze just over a year ago.

H.E. the Governor.
H.E. the Governor this morning
left the Colony for England on a
holiday that will extend for some
six months, and he leaves
with the very best wishes
of all classes of the population.
Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., has
not been very long with us but
he has unquestionably created a

most favourable impression not
only because of his sound ability
and outstanding efficiency in
every respect but because of his
extremely agreeable manner with
all sorts and conditions of our
cosmopolitan population. His
Excellency evidently quickly
realised on his arrival in the Col-
ony that one of the first
essentials, in the circumstances,
was the welding together again of
the harmony between ourselves
and the Chinese, into which, un-
fortunately, a jarring element
had been introduced. That His
Excellency the Governor succeed-
ed admirably is well known to all.
One by one Sir Cecil Clementi
then applied himself with
patience and zeal to the many
important problems that awaited
his attention and, as far as he
possibly could, was eminently
successful. There are still many
matters of an outstanding charac-
ter, which on His Excellency's re-
turn will require and receive his
attention and to which Sir Cecil
Clementi will apply himself with
his customary diligence. Just as
he is being wished very sincerely
bon voyage, so also will he be wel-
comed very cordially back again;
and meantime the Colony's in-
terests are safe in the able care of
the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, H.E.
the Officer Administering the
Government.

CHEQUES CASE.

CHIEF JUSTICE REPRIMANDS
DEFENDANT.

THE CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Mr. Tsang Fook, principal of the
Tsang Fook Piano Co. of Ice
House-street, who is defendant in
an action by the Chinese sugar
millionaire, Mr. Kwik Djeon-eng,
was reprimanded by the Chief
Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) in the
Supreme Court yesterday.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., leading
counsel for plaintiff, cross-exam-
ined Mr. Tsang in regard to the re-
lationship between him and Ju
Po-lun, a former employee of
plaintiff who handed twenty
cheques to defendant.

A Man of Wealth.

On Mr. Tsang saying that he be-
lieved Ju Po-lun to be a man of
wealth, but that he also sold large
quantities of goods for him on a
5 per cent. commission, Mr. Potter
asked whether it was not unusual
for a wealthy Chinese gentleman
to be connected with a firm on a
commission basis. Mr. Tsang at-
tempted to make a statement when
His Lordship intervened and after
reprimanding him, told him that he
was only required to answer ques-
tions.

Question Not Answered.

Thereupon Mr. Tsang said that
it was not unusual. Mr. Potter
asked for names, suggesting that
defendant could write them if he
disliked to disclose them to the
public. Mr. Tsang wrote one
name, it being that of a lady and
did not give another. His Lord-
ship ruled that the question had
not been answered.

In his evidence in chief, Mr.
Tsang said that he was \$200 out
of pocket in his transactions with
Ju Po-lun.

The case will be resumed to-
morrow.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

Tuesday.
The great event of last week was
the C. C. Government School sports
meeting held on the Association
ground on Wednesday, May 2.
There were several events open
to students of other schools. The
champion of the day was Chan
Kong-chuen.

There were fewer foreign visitors
on this occasion. Mrs. Franklin dis-
tributed the prizes (many of
which had been specially donated)
and the Director of Education (Mr.
A. E. Wood) responded on her be-
half.

The headmaster, in the course of
his remarks, voices the hope that by
next year the sports would be held
at the school's own ground near
the new school (now under con-
struction).

The theatre matched for the
Vegetarian Sect Theatre is now
under construction. A good start
has been made by the "road men"
in getting the various paths in
shape for the summer season.—Our
own correspondent.

DUMPED ASHES.

Said to be of unsound mind, a
Chinese woman was charged at
the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, before Mr. W. Schofield,
for dumping ashes on Crown land
between buildings in Canton-road,
and the Military barracks. She
was caught early this morning by
a foreman of the Sanitary Depart-
ment. The charge was lodged by
Insp. Rowland. A fine of \$3, with
the alternative of 3 days, was im-
posed.

"WHITE PIGEON."

CHINESE WOMEN AND A
LITTLE GIRL.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

A case in which three Chinese
women were charged with "flying
the white pigeon" occupied the at-
tention of Mr. W. Schofield, at the
Kowloon Magistracy, yesterday
afternoon.

The defendants who were alleged
to have been concerned in the sale
of a young Chinese girl who sub-
sequently disappeared, were accus-
ed of obtaining \$235 by false pre-
tences, or, as expressively termed
by the Chinese, by "flying the white
pigeon."

Replying to the charge, the de-
fendants claimed that they had
merely acted as "go-betweens,"
and denied that they had after-
wards enticed the girl away.

The little girl was alleged by
Sergeant Mottrem to have been
sold to a Chinese couple living at
No. 345, Nathan-road, Kowloon on
April 5. The complainant's wife
did not want to buy the girl, but
after the first and third defend-
ants had told a "hard luck" story
about the father being ill and the
mother requiring money to buy
medicine, the couple's heart soften-
ed and they purchased the girl.

A document was "delivered"
with the girl. This purported to
bear the mother's signature as well
as those of the two "go-betweens."
Two days later the girl disappear-
ed, and a few hours afterwards, the
second defendant who posed as the
girl's mother called at the house
and demanded where her daughter
was. She was understood to have
denied that the signature on the
"bill of sale" was hers.

The complainants then went to
the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs
and the defendants were arrested.
The case was adjourned.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS BY THE HON. CAPTAIN
SUPERINTENDENT.

POLICE DUTIES.

All recruits of the Chinese and
Indian Companies will parade at
Central Police Station on Wednes-
day, May 9, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for
Squad Drill under Sergeant Condon.
Dress:—Muff.

Training—Part 2.

The classes for Instruction in
Police Duties and Regulations
under Inspector H. J. Paterson will
be resumed at the Police Training
School (corner of Nathan and
Prince Edward-roads, Kowloon) on
Thursday, May 10, at 6 p.m. sharp.
All members of the Chinese, Indian,
and Flying Squad Companies who
have passed Part 1, and who have
not yet passed Part 2 must attend.
Dress:—Muff.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol
of the Hong Kong Section will take
place on Thursday, May 10. Fall
in at Central Police Station at 6.15
p.m. sharp. Dress:—Khaki.

Special Patrol Duty.

The following Police Reservists
will report at No. 7 Police Station
on Friday, May 11, at 6.45 p.m.
sharp for special patrol duty at
West Point:—

10 members of the Chinese Com-
pany to be detailed by the O.C.
Dress:—Uniform Cap and white
cover, Belt (no frog) and Trun-
cheon.

4 members of the Flying Squad
to be detailed by the O.C. Dress:
—Khaki.

Sharpshooters' Company.

The fortnightly revolver prac-
tice will be held at Kennedy-road
Range at 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday,
May 16. Members will assemble
on the range with their revolvers,
belts and holsters promptly at the
hour stated.

(Sd.) W. KENT, A.S.P.,
Adjutant.

A NUISANCE.

KOWLOON CYCLIST
FINED.

This morning at the Kowloon
Magistracy, before Mr. Schofield, a
Chinese youth was charged by
Traffic Inspector Bastings for rid-
ing on the wrong side of the road,
thus causing a nuisance.

The Inspector said that yesterday
afternoon at about 4 o'clock, while
on duty, he saw the defendant on
a bicycle riding out of Soy-street
into Mongkok-road. He followed
the cyclist along Coronation-road
near Shamshui, and saw him rid-
ing close behind a Chinese Motor
bus, on the wrong side of the road.

Nearing Shan Tung-street the
defendant noticed the Inspector
tracking him, and in his hurry fell
down, to be arrested, and taken to
the Mongkok Police Station.
The cyclist, as becoming a
nuisance, we have had numerous
complaints against them, and I
have been put on special duty to
catch them," added the Traffic In-
spector.
His Worship imposed a fine of
\$4.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

"I've come here to ask for your
daughter's hand."
"When were you first struck by
her?"
"Well—er—we've not quarrelled so
far."

"Say, how about returnin' that
corn-sheller of mine you borrowed
six months ago?"

"Certainly, Jim! Just loan me
your horse and dray and I'll fetch
it right over."

Maid (opening door to one of the
many admirers of the young mis-
tress, who has just become
engaged): "I don't think it's much
good for you to come in, sir—Miss
Dolly was suited yesterday!"

A landlord received a communica-
tion from one of his new tenants,
requesting numerous household im-
provements, involving painting and
decorating, plumbing and gas-
fitting, woodwork renewals, etc.
The landlord ignored the letter, so
the tenant called on him to learn
the reason.

"Oh, yes," said the landlord. "I
remember the letter quite well, but
you put it in the wrong envelope—
it was the one you intended to
Santa Claus."

Visitor to Studio: "What is it?"
Artist: "A sunset. Haven't you
ever seen one?"

Visitor: "Yes; that's why I
asked."

Dear Old Lady: "I see you have
some land for sale?"
Estate Agent: "Yes, madam."

Dear Old Lady: "Well, I want
about three yards to grow some
seedlings on."

Edwin: "How does it feel to be
marrying an heiress?"

Edward: "Great! Every time I
kiss her I feel as if I were clipping
the coupon off a Government bond."

A sailor and his girl sat hand in
hand in the gallery of a music-hall,
supremely happy, because they had
just become betrothed.

"Bill," she whispered, "I am all-
in-all to you and you are all-in-all
to me. Will it always be so, Bill?"

"Yes," answered Bill. "All my
life from now till the second of
June, and from the third of
November till death. Between the
dates mentioned I shall be yottin'
in the Mediterranean."

The city-bred young woman, who
had been put in charge of a country
school, said to the class in arith-
metic.

"Now, children, if there are ten
sheep on one side of a fence and
one jumps over, how many sheep
will be left?"

"No sheep, teacher," answered a
little lass of five summers.

"Oh, no!" said the teacher, re-
proachfully. "You are not so
stupid as that! Think again. If
there were ten sheep on one side of
the fence and one sheep jumped
over, nine sheep would be left.
Don't you see that?"

"No!" persisted the child. "If
one sheep jumped over, all the
others would jump after it. My
father keeps sheep."

Then, seeing the puzzled look on
the teacher's face, the little girl
explained, apologetically: "You
know 'rithmetic, miss; but I know
sheep!"

Tommy's mother gave him a book
on etiquette instead of the usual
"Robinson Crusoe." It thereafter
became a pretty fragment of home
life until Tommy's sister, in at-
tempting to leave the room one day,
found herself eluded by the hand,
and flung violently backwards into
the coal scuttle.

"You ignorant little beast," pro-
tested Tommy. "Don't you know
that a gentleman should always
open the door for you?"

DO YOU KNOW?

To-day's List of
Little Posers.

From day to day in the "China
Mail" appear half a dozen questions
of a general nature, for which
acknowledgment is due to the
"Daily Sketch." Answers will be
found on page 9 of this issue.

1. Which London street is named
after the meadow of which it once
formed part?
2. What saffron is?
3. Which are the "twin cities of
Minnesota"?
4. Why salads are so called?
5. Where Old Sarum is?
6. What fish is known at differ-
ent stages of its life as parrot and
grilse?

TWO CEREMONIES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

ing's Own Scottish Borderers, Lt.-Col. H. T. C. Ivens, 3rd/5th Punjab Regiment, Lt.-Col. J. D. Boyd, S.O. 1st Batt. Queen's Royal Regiment, Lt.-Col. P. A. Cardew, Army Ordnance Corps, Major C. T. Warner, D.S.O., M.C., 2nd Att. Sents Guards, Major J. W. F. Mann, Deputy Asst. Adjutant General, Major J. F. Hanna, M.C., D.A.Q.M.G., Squadron Leader McPherson, R.E.F. (Kai Tuck), Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. R. E. Lindell, Mr. G. K. Sayer, Mr. W. Ainsworth, Mr. Eldery, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, Mr. J. V. Franks, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. H. R. Phelps, Mr. J. Fraser.

Dr. J. H. Sanders, Mr. E. M. Hazland.

Chinese Elders Present.

In addition to the two Council representatives, the Chinese were represented by Dr. S. W. Tao and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin (members of the Sanitary Board) and the following:—representatives of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the District Watch Committee, Public Dispensaries Committee, Permanent Cemetery Committee, Tung Wah Hospital Advisory Board, Tung Wah Hospital directors, Po Leung Kuk directors, Kwong Wah Hospital directors, Justices of the Peace and others; and a representative delegation of elders from the New Territories, led by Mr. J. Fraser (District Officer) also assembled to bid His Excellency goodspeed.

Police arrangements were in the hands of Mr. W. Kent (A.S.P.), Chief Inspector P. Grant and others. Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy and Det. Inspector Lane had charge of the detectives on the pier and in the crowd. Mr. E. R. Dovey led the Police Reserve Sharpshooters and members of the Police Reserve Flying Squad and Chinese Company were on duty.

Salute of 17 Guns.

On either side of Queen's Pier a Water Police launch was posted to keep traffic clear.

After shaking hands with all present, His Excellency, Lady Clementi, their children, H.E.'s staff and others embarked on the s.s. "Victoria" to cross the harbour to join the "Empress of Russia" which will convey Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi and family to Vancouver.

A salute of seventeen guns was fired as His Excellency's launch moved off.

SWORN IN.

Chief Justice Officiates At Ceremony.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern was sworn in as Officer Administering the Government to-day, the ceremony being held at Government House, owing to the fact that the Council Chamber is in process of reconstruction.

There were present members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, heads of Government Departments, the senior Naval and Military officers and others.

Mace in Procession.

The usual procession was held, preceded by Mr. J. Wiltshire, Head Bailiff, who carried the mace.

The swearing-in ceremony was performed by Sir Henry Gollan, the Chief Justice, the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Jackson) being also present.

This is the second occasion on which Mr. Southern has had charge, the first being when Sir Cecil Clementi went to Japan and North China last year. Mr. Southern only recently returned from long leave.

Official Calls.

To-day, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government paid official calls on H.E. the General Officer Commanding (Major-General Luard) and Commodore Pearson (as representing the Commander-in-Chief, China Station, Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt).

FOR PRINCE.

SEVEN YEARS' LAWSUIT SETTLED.

Vienna.—The ownership of vast estates valued at £6,000,000 was decided at Prague after a trial which had lasted seven years.

The estates involved were those left by the late Prince Philip of Coburg, brother of the ex-Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria, on his death in 1921.

Prince Philip was at the time declared to have left his entire estates and family fortune, together valued at £120,000,000, to his nephews, Prince Josias of Coburg and Prince Cyril of Bulgaria.

A suit to set aside the will was, however, immediately filed by Princess Louise of Coburg, daughter of the late King Leopold of the Belgians and the divorced wife of the late Prince Philip. She claimed the whole of the fortune on the ground that she had been wrongfully divorced by the late prince.

PAPER THEFTS.

TWO CHINESE SENT TO JAIL.

GREED THEIR UNDOING.

Two Chinese pleaded "guilty" before Mr. R. E. Lindell to charges of obtaining by false pretences on different dates two lots of brown wrapping paper from the Ying Cheong Sang paper shop, 200, Des Vaux-road West.

According to the Detective Sergeant Whant, who prosecuted, the first defendant was formerly employed by the Man Li Chan sandlewood shop of Koshing-street who obtained their supply of wrapping paper from the complainant firm. After he left the employ of the Man Li Chan shop, defendant entered into a conspiracy with No. 2 to defraud the Ying Cheong Sang shop.

They went together to the shop and by representing that they had come from the Man Li Chan shop obtained without difficulty 20 cattie of wrapping paper. Their greed proved their undoing, as after their first visit, the Ying Cheong Sang people found that they had been cheated of the paper.

Two days ago the accused went to the shop and ordered a further 15 cattie of wrapping paper in the name of the Man Li Chan shop. The paper was supplied to them, but a foki followed the accused when they left the shop, and he gave them in charge to the first policeman he met. The accused did not bolt because they were not aware that they were being shadowed.

Both accused were sentenced to four weeks' hard labour on each of the two charges. His Worship directing that the terms should run consecutively.

HEAT PERILS.

INSANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

BIG INCREASE.

Manila, May 5.

The increasing number of insanity cases caused by the excessive rise of the temperature during April is alarming the officials of the Philippine health service.

Contrary to other epidemics where health officials can immediately lay hand to check them, the increasing cases of insanity cannot be prevented because there is no known therapeutic against attacks of insanity, a prominent health official declared yesterday.

According to the records of the city insane asylum at Bucaon, Bulacan, 39 insane people were admitted during the month of April alone. This number represents the cases of insanity which were discovered in Manila and the neighbouring municipalities only.

Reports of district health officials in the provinces also contain new cases of insanity, though not in such alarming proportion as in the city.

With the increase of insane cases, it is feared that the overcrowded condition of the San Lazaro insane asylum, the only insane sanatorium under the Philippine health service, will become unbearable for the inmates.

At present more than 500 insane cases are confined in San Lazaro. Because of lack of space, the newly discovered insane cases in the provinces will remain under the custody of the district health inspectors of every province. Dr. Eugenio Hernandez, acting director of health, announced yesterday.

EGYPT'S POLITICS.

FINANCE MINISTER WITH-DRAWS HIS RESIGNATION.

AT KING FUAD'S REQUEST.

Cairo, Yesterday.

The Finance Minister, Mohamed Pasha Mahmoud, has withdrawn his resignation on King Fuad's request.—Reuter.

Her daughter, the Archduchess Dorothea, brought a claim for the prince's personal estate, which was valued at £700,000.

Litigation was begun in four of the world's capitals—Vienna, Berlin, Budapest and Prague—in all of whose countries Prince Philip had owned property. Princess Louise died in 1924, and the Archduchess Dorothea was left to fight her claim alone.

Only the Czechoslovak side of this gargantuan case was settled by to-day's decision, which unexpectedly proclaimed Prince Josias the heir to the prince's £6,000,000 estate in Czechoslovakia.

Prince Josias was immediately informed by the Czechoslovakian Land Reform Office that they would acquire his estates for distribution among the peasants of the country.

COMIC HERO.

SYD CHAPLIN COMING AGAIN.

"THE MISSING LINK."

The comical hero of "Charley's Aunt," "Oh! What a Nurse," "The Man on the Box" and a dozen other big comedy successes, Syd Chaplin, will be seen in a brand new comedy, "The Missing Link," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre from Sunday to Tuesday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue. Syd Chaplin in this big film appears as a discouraged young poet who is carried off to the wilds of Africa, through a ludicrous series of mishaps, and is there compelled to pose as a famous big game hunter searching for the ferocious "Missing Link." The picture contains, besides the "Link" itself, a wonderfully clever chimpanzee whose antics are the means of providing not a few of the laughs. Syd Chaplin is supported by an excellent cast which includes Ruth Hatt, Tom McGuire and Crawford Kent. "The Missing Link" was directed by Charles F. Reisner, who made most of Syd Chaplin's other famous comedy successes.

AN OLD MYSTERY.

WESTMINSTER HALL'S LONG LOST TREASURES.

STATUES FOUND.

By one of those strange chances which are the reward of patient antiquarians a statue which probably stood in Westminster Hall in 1395 has been discovered buried waist-deep in mud in a Stockwell garden.

If the statue is what it is supposed to be, the mystery of the fate of a whole series of statues which formerly stood in Westminster Hall, and which disappeared completely 100 years ago, will be to some extent explained, relates the "Morning Post."

The statue was found by the Vicar of St. Matthew's Church, Southwark, the Rev. T. P. Stevens, who explained that he was searching for a figure of Charles II., which formerly stood outside the old Southwark Town Hall, and which disappeared about 100 years ago.

"I put a note about it in the 'Southwark Diocesan Gazette,'" Mr. Stevens said, "and asked any reader who had any knowledge of its existence to communicate with me. A resident in Meadow-road, Stockwell, rang me up the other day to say that there was a statue buried in rubbish in his back garden. He knew nothing about it, and considered that it was valueless, but said that I might go along and examine it."

A Crowned King.

"I did so, and found, not Charles II., but a crowned king, about five or six feet in height, with an orb in the left hand. The right hand is broken away, and the whole thing is very weatherworn and dilapidated. The remarkable thing about it is that it is in the same style as the statue in Trinity square, Southwark, supposed to be one of King Alfred, which came from Westminster Hall in 1823, and is supposed to be at least 500 years old."

"An antiquarian who has seen the statue thinks that it is quite probable that it once stood in a niche in the north porch of Westminster Hall. This theory is supported by the fact that it is hollowed slightly at the back, as though for a niche."

The Superintendent of Works at the Houses of Parliament, Mr. T. Wilson, was greatly interested in the discovery.

"What happened to at least a dozen statues which formerly stood in Westminster Hall has been a mystery ever since 1825," he said. "Richard II ordered the restoration of Westminster Hall after a fire in 1395. It was then that the north porch with many niches and statues, was built. A hundred years or more later two taverns, named 'Heaven' and 'Hell,' for some queer reason, were built against the north wall of the porch, hiding most of the niches and statues."

"It was not until 1825 that the clearance of these taverns, or coffee houses, as they then were, was ordered. An amazing thing happened. The builders cleared away all the statues too, and with one exception they disappeared completely. The exception was the one which found its way to Trinity-square, Southwark, which was being laid out in 1825."

"I certainly think," Mr. Wilson added, "that if the statue discovered in Stockwell proves to have been one of those taken away from Westminster Hall, an effort should be made to secure its return."

A further consignment of gold arrived recently at Riga from Moscow for shipment abroad, but

BRITISH LEGION.

LOCAL BRANCH ACTIVITIES.

RELIEF WORK.

The following report will be submitted to the members at the seventh annual general meeting to be held in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's board room, at 5.15 p.m., on Friday, May 11:—

The amount expended in relief work during 1927, was \$2,459.80 which was considerably more than for the previous year viz. \$1,541.36. Relief given included the provision of passages to England for a lady and two children, financial assistance, temporary keep, and constant passages for several men, while one man was found a situation in the Colony.

Our funds have been maintained by members' subscriptions, the annual interest from the late Sir Paul Chater's fund and also donations from the Hong Kong Jockey Club and the Hong Kong Boxing Association, and we thank the latter organisations for their annual support to our usefulness.

It is unfortunate to have to report that our membership has decreased during the year and we take this opportunity of asking all members to bring to the notice of any ex service men and women of their acquaintance who are not members the fact that there is a Branch of the Legion in the Colony. As our work is charitable and not spectacular, it is liable to be lost sight of.

As usual, we carried out the Poppy Day drive organised by our parent body at home and we were successful in remitting the sum of £1,939.60, to Earl Haig's Fund, an improvement on the figure of £1,517.14.0, for the previous year. We have again to thank Mr. J. G. Gordon Leach and his sub-committee for their excellent work.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Earl Haig, our President, in January this year. Your Committee telegraphed to the Headquarters of the Legion expressing our sense of profound loss and deepest sympathy with Lady Haig in her great bereavement. We also arranged for one of the members of the Committee, who was at home, to represent us at the funeral and to place a wreath on behalf of the local branch and also the E. A. S. M. A. All the Committee retire and it is requested that members will send in nominations (signed by two members) to the Hon. Secretary, or be prepared to propose names at the Meeting.

The thanks of members are due to Mr. A. Ritchie for auditing the accounts of both the Poppy Day and Annual Accounts.

MR. "POKER" HEATH.

SHANGHAI LAWYER RE-ARRESTED.

A WIRELESS MESSAGE.

Shanghai, April 19.

Mr. "Poker" Heath, who was sentenced by the U.S. Court for China to 18 months' imprisonment in McNeil's Island Penitentiary, for his part in the Heath-Husar-Woodward case, was according to recent despatches released from the penitentiary, but was re-arrested again by the United States Marshal in Tacoma, Washington.

It will be recalled that counsel for Heath applied to the U.S. District Court in Tacoma, Washington, for a writ of Habeas Corpus, which alleged misinformation in the original indictment in Shanghai, inasmuch as that the information here did not specify that Heath was a United States citizen in the same paragraph which described the crime.

When word was received here of the action of the Tacoma Court Mr. Thurston Porter, U.S. Marshal, wireless Dr. C. Sellett, U.S. District Attorney, who was en route to San Francisco to appear in the 9th Circuit Court Appeal in connection with the Husar appeal.

Dr. Sellett wirelessed the American authorities to issue a warrant for Heath's arrest as he would appeal against the decision of the Tacoma Court.

Heath was then released on \$5000 bail and is reporting to the U.S. Marshal in Tacoma daily. Dr. Sellett has perfected his appeal and will argue the case before the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

Dr. Sellett will also appear for the Government in the appeal of Husar which comes before the Appellate Court on May 8, and will do likewise in the Crawley appeal which is on the Court

Shadows Before

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Ace of Cads."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Sap."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Diplomacy."

May 10—Dance, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 12—Dance, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 13—Music, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 13-15—Queen's Theatre; Syd Chaplin in "The Missing Link."

Sports.

To-day—Whist Drive, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7 p.m.

May 11—St. Joseph's College Athletic Sports, Sookumpoo ground, Causeway Bay, commencing, 1 p.m.

May 13—Eight extra race meeting of the I.R.R.C., Macao.

Lammer's Auction.

May 9—At Sales Room, Duddell-st., household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

May 10—At godowns Nos. 47 and 50, The H.K. & K. Whf. & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, 86 bales old newspaper.

May 11—At Sales Room, Duddell-st., miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m. May 14—At "Villa Manola," Sassoon-rd., household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

May 11—Annual meeting of British Legion (H.K. branch) Messrs. Jardine's board room, 5.15 p.m.

May 14—Annual meeting of the H.K. Auxiliary of the British & Foreign Bible Society, at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

May 17—Forty-seventh ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, noon.

May 25—Fifty-fifth annual meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Union-bldg., 11 a.m.

May 25—Fifty-ninth annual meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Union-bldg., 11.15 a.m.

May 25—Sixty-second annual meeting of British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., Union-bldg., 11.20 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Second Address at Chinese Y.M.C.A. by Dr. T. M. Ware, of the Govt. Dept., 8 p.m.

May 10—Closing event in H.K. Basketball league (student division) at Chinese Y.M.C.A., 4.30 p.m.

May 14—Opening of a new class for beginners in Chinese Language school, in Chamber of Commerce boardroom, 5.15-6.15 p.m.

November 13—Matriculation, Senior and Junior Local exams, at the Hong Kong University.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Alfred W. C. McLoughlin, of Andover, Hampshire, who was Mayor of Andover in 1903-4; died recently from heart failure.

Mr. David Turnbull, of the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., left for home last week by the Japanese mail. He expects to be away until the autumn.

The Rev. John C. Hawk, D.D., will be the preacher at the morning service of the Community Church, Shanghai, last Sunday, and his theme will be "Mother's Day."

The Clacton lifeboat recently went to the rescue of four medical students from Guy's Hospital, who were in a small yacht named "Coquette," which appeared to be in difficulties.

Sir William Solomon, Chief Justice of South Africa, has been appointed a Privy Councillor.

Sir Thomas Beecham conducted the orchestra of the Paris Conservatoire at the Opera in Paris last month.

It was stated at a meeting of the House of Commons British Olympic Games Committee that £400 of the £1,000 which the committee hopes to raise has already been collected.

The Ministry of Health has upheld the decision of the Luton (Bedfordshire) District Council refusing to approve plans for the construction of a greyhound racing track on land near Ickleford-road, Limbury.

The Albert Bridge spanning the Thames between Datchet and Windsor was opened last month replacing a bridge built in 1852.

The receipts for the Diocesan Boys' School concert amounted to \$402.50, which amount, less expenses, is being paid into the New School Equipment Fund.

Mr. Chang Fu-liang, a graduate of the Yale School of Forestry and the School of Agriculture of the University of Georgia, spoke at the Current Issues Class last week in room 206 of the American School, Shanghai. His subject is "Some Constructive Factors in Chinese Society." All are welcome. There will be opportunity for questions and discussion.

Madrid, April 6.—With ancient ceremony King Alfonso to-day granted a pardon to three men who had been condemned to death. The King and Queen and Court clothed in the severest garments attended a public service in the morning at the palace. The kneeling monarch prayed audibly at the moment of the consecration, after which the Patriarch of the Indies carried to him a tray bearing the petitions of the condemned tied with black bands. The patriarch said: "Sire, the justice of earth has condemned them to the extreme penalty. Do you pardon them?" The King: "I pardon them that God may pardon me. Immediately the black bands were changed for white as sign of pardon."

Brussels.—Zoubkov, the ex-Kaiser's brother-in-law, is back in Belgium, the only country where for the moment he can live without the fear of a policeman ordering him to move on. He had left Brussels for Aix-la-Chapelle, taking back to her husband Mme. Alice Nyssens, the 34-year-old Belgian brunette who had been, as it were, lent to him to arrange his voyage to the Belgian Congo. The plan however, was vetoed by the Belgian Colonial Office. At Aix-la-Chapelle he was reminded forcibly that the expulsion order made against him in Germany was in force, and so he recrossed the frontier to Verviers. There he arrived at the Grand Hotel with a prettier and younger woman than Mme. Nyssens. His new companion is said to be Fraulien Gerda Hollman, who is 24, the daughter of an industrialist of Bochum. Zoubkov, furious at being stared at by the hotel guests as people stare at a rare addition to a zoo, took to his heels and was quickly lost in the streets of the town. The beautiful Gerda, who was abandoned in the flight, sought refuge in her apartments. Zoubkov's permit to remain in Belgium has expired and he is hoping to be able to stay in the Free City of Danzig.



New York.—Howard Lloyd Cox (left) Brooklyn navigator, and Jose Gait, Argentine ace, who recently arrived in this country to prepare for the flight which he and Cox will make in April from the national capital to that of Argentina, Buenos Aires. This first flight by a North and South American together will be made in a Stinson-Detroiter monoplane. The 7,500 mile trip will be punctuated with a number of stops.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Castleman, of Tranby, Portsmouth-road, Thames Ditton, Surrey, who recently returned from a world tour, lost more than £200 worth of jewellery when their house was raided.

The diphtheria epidemic at Whittlesey, near Peterborough, is now on the wane, although the schools, which were closed five weeks ago, have not been reopened.

Among the departures for home by the s.s. "Empress of Russia" sailing to-day is Lieut.-Col. Sir Victor A. F. Mackenzie, Bart., D.S.O., M.V.O., the popular officer commanding 2nd Battalion Scots Guards stationed at Sharncliffe. Major E. C. T. Warner, D.S.O., M.C., will take over the command of the Battalion.

London, Yesterday.—Replying to Miss Wilkinson (Labour) who urged that there should be an enquiry into the sentence of two months' hard labour and a birching, passed upon a Chinese, Yeung Ping-wong, of Hong Kong, for possessing seditious literature, Mr. L. Amery (Dominions' Secretary) said that the sentence accorded with the law and called for no special enquiry.—Reuter.

As a result of numerous complaints of the objectionable manner in which motor car touts pester people to hire cars in the Western District, West Point police carried out a systematic "combing out" on Monday. In consequence, six touts were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday and four were fined \$5 each, with a warning that if they were charged again the fine would be doubled. The fifth man, with a previous conviction, was fined \$10, and a youth was ordered to receive six strokes of the rattan.

At Whitfield Barracks last evening, a fire broke out in a matched lavatory in the grounds near the Sepoy lines. The flames spread so rapidly that the matched was completely destroyed within a few minutes. Two appliances from the Kowloon Fire Brigade were on the scene within a couple of minutes of receipt of the alarm at 7.30, but on arrival found that there was nothing to do but to allow the fire to burn itself out, care being taken to prevent the flames from spreading to neighbouring structures. This was successfully accomplished.

The National Products Exhibition was opened at Hangchow last week and some 40 local manufacturers left for the West Lake city to attend. The Bureau of Industry of Greater Shanghai has issued a manifesto to the public, calling upon them to use national goods wherever possible in order to encourage local industries. Attention is called to the fact that at last year's conference of the Associated Chambers of Commerce a resolution was passed that national products and Chinese cloths should be purchased in preference to imported articles.

The closing event in the Hong Kong-Basket Ball League, Student Division, will be the awarding of trophies to the winners. This will be done by Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. on Thursday afternoon at 4.30. The finals were played last Friday afternoon, when the St. Paul's College Team was successful in the Senior Division and the Ying Wah Team in the Junior Division. After the awarding of trophies there will be an exhibition of a selected team from other schools. This will terminate an exceptionally successful season.

In connection with the effort to eradicate malaria, the second address in the series of lectures at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. will be given on evening at 8 o'clock by Dr. T. M. Ware of the Government Medical Department. This address will deal with diseases caused by insect bites, the effect of the fever of malaria upon the health and economic condition of the people, and methods of dealing with the patient. As in the first lecture, the speaker will use non-technical terms, and propose measures that are within the reach of all. The evening is open to the public without expense.

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Sport Columns

SHANGHAI RACES.

DERBY WON BY MR. TOEG'S ALLIGATOR.

CHAMPIONS TO-DAY.

Hong Kong turfites will congratulate Mr. Toeg, who has not been so successful down here, on winning the Derby yesterday, on the second day of the Shanghai Race Club's annual spring meeting.

The successful pony is Alligator, who was ridden by Mr. V. M. Haimovitch who is very popular in Hong Kong.

The Champions will be run to-day and the result of the sweeps will be published in to-morrow's "China Mail".

Classic races of yesterday are denoted with an asterisk. The "China Mail" is indebted to the Hong Kong Club and Messrs. Linstead & Davis, treasurers to the Hong Kong Jockey Club, for the following:—

Parl-Mutuel Cup—7 furlongs.

Mr. Billy Reynell's Amendment (Mr. Haimovitch) 1

Mr. Allan's Elran (Mr. Encarnacion) 2

Mr. Day's Geyserland (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 3

Time: 1 min. 47-2/5 secs.

Chu-Ka-Za Cup—3/4 mile.

Mr. Eve's Wedding Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 1

Mr. Day's Poppyland (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 2

Messrs. M. & L.G.W.'s Western Park (Mr. Encarnacion) 3

Time: 1 min. 29-1/5 secs.

Grand Stand Stakes—1/4 mile.

Messrs. We Two's Shorty McGee (Mr. Maitland) 1

Mr. Eve's Engagement Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 2

Mr. Massachusetts's Mongol Boy (Mr. Sajudah) 3

Time: 2 mins. 39-2/5 secs.

Peking Cup—1 mile.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. White's White Rosemary (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 1

Messrs. Bailey and Springfield's Sahara (Mr. Springfield) 2

Mr. Cize's Prettylight (Mr. Eric Moller) 3

Time: 2 mins. 01-2/5 secs.

*Shanghai Derby—1 1/2 miles.

Mr. Toeg's Alligator (Mr. Haimovitch) 1

Messrs. Bill and John's Tom Peartree (Mr. Heard) 2

Mr. Eve's Election Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3

Time: 3 mins. 10 secs.

*Shanghai Stakes—1 1/2 miles.

Mr. Fred Elias's Firefly (Mr. Maitland) 1

Mr. Eve's Chilly Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 2

Mr. Hardy W. Fowler's Morning Flight (Mr. Hill) 3

Time: 3 mins. 12-1/5 secs.

Shanghai Race Club Handicap "A" Class—1 1/4 miles.

Messrs. Mollers' Ltd. Wyck (Mr. Eric Moller) 1

Mrs. Jack Liddell's Jimmy Winter (Mr. Maitland) 2

Messrs. Boys and White's Silver Wing (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3

Time: 2 mins. 46 secs.

Shanghai Race Club Handicap "B" Class—1 1/4 miles.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. White's White Lodge (Mr. Wells) 1

Mr. Harriman's Souvenir (Mr. Sajudah) 2

Mr. Harry White's Don Basuto (Mr. Haimovitch) 3

Time: 2 mins. 42-4/5 secs.

Sicacaw Cup—1 1/4 miles.

Mr. Day's New Zealand (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 1

Mr. Campox's Old Bill (Mr. Maitland) 2

Mr. Dod's MacNab (Mr. G. A. Pollock) 3

Time: 2 mins. 41 secs.

Scurry Stakes—7 furlongs.

Mr. Eve's Easter Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 1

Mr. Cize's Roverlight (Mr. Eric Moller) 2

Messrs. P. M. Lancaster and W. A. White's Sarina (Mr. McCann) 3

Time: 1 min. 47-1/5 secs.

Tientsin Plate—1 mile.

Mr. Dod's Mackay (Mr. G. A. Pollock) 1

Mrs. Jack Liddell's Double Zero (Mr. Maitland) 2

Mr. Massachusetts's Frisco Boy (Mr. Sajudah) 3

Time: 2 mins. 03-2/5 secs.

Hankow Handicap—1 mile.

Mr. Toeg's Spearpoint (Mr. Haimovitch) 1

Mr. Toeg's Canadian (Mr. Maitland) 2

Messrs. Mc Bain and Sokoloff's Vasyack (Mr. Sokoloff) 3

Time: 1 min. 58-3/5 secs.

Wuchang Cup—3/4 mile.

Messrs. We Two's Oh Kay (Mr. Maitland) 1

Mr. Dod's Profitable (Mr. G. A. Pollock) 2

Mr. F. B. Marshall's The Duke (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3

Time: 1 min. 30-3/5 secs.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE SHANGHAI ASSOCIATION'S ARRANGEMENTS.

INTERPORT WITH HONG KONG.

A meeting of the Full Council of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association took place last week when certain definite arrangements in connection with the 1928 season were made. With the idea of centralising control and facilitating the active work of the Association, it was decided to appoint a small executive committee of three in addition to the officers of the Association, the composition of the committee, as finally decided, being:—Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, Mr. N. Leslie, Mr. G. F. Forshaw, Mr. H. Gulick, Mr. T. Egawa.

Preliminary arrangements were decided on in regard to the visit of a team from Tientsin, which is expected to arrive about the end of June or the beginning of July.

Approval was given to a suggestion that two teams from Hong Kong (ladies and men) should visit Shanghai in the near future to play Interport tennis. It is probable that the ladies team will arrive in time to commence play on or about May 20; while it is fairly definite that the men will accompany the Interport cricketers, who are due on May 25 or 27. The composition of the Hong Kong ladies team is not known, but the men will probably be Messrs. Rumjahn, Fincher, and Ng Sze-kwong. It was decided to accept the kind offer of the Shanghai and Hong Kong Hotels again to place the Majestic Hotel lawn at the disposal of the Association for special matches, and it is probable that the Interport matches will be played there.

IN THE RING.

THE SUSPENSION OF HOOD AND BLOOMFIELD.

[By Eugene Corri.]

Little else has been talked about during the week but the action of the British Board of Boxing Control in the matter of Jack Hood and Joe Bloomfield. It is a most regrettable happening. What suspension for two months must mean to a man who fights for a living, you know full well, especially in the case of a champion, as Hood is. Nothing so drastic has been known in boxing in this country, and I can well understand that the two fighters feel the bottom of their own particular world has fallen out.

That they consider they have been harshly treated is to put it mildly. They can never have supposed that such a thing as being left stranded, high and dry, for a couple of months was possible. I was at the fight between Hood and Bloomfield, and took particular note of all that happened. There cannot be a shadow of doubt that the affair, so long as it lasted, was a particularly dreary business.

When those at the ringside at the N.S.C. take to whistling, and giving themselves over to derisive laughter, you may be sure that there is something wrong. We of the Club pride ourselves upon a regard for decorum, and the departure from an observance of quiet distressed me not a little. And yet the unruliness, if so it may be called, was understandable, as it was almost excusable.

A Wrong Match.

The view I take is that the match between Hood and Bloomfield should not have been made. Whatever the result, it could have taught nothing that we did not already know. I do not say that Hood is not capable of giving away a stone and a beating to Bloomfield. I am pretty sure that he is. But why should he have been invited to prove that he could do so? If he had promptly stretched Bloomfield on the floor of the ring, he would not have made us any the keener to go to the match between him and Mancini arranged for the 25th.

Welters should not be encouraged to fight middleweights. It was unfortunate, from the Club's point of view, no doubt, when it was learned that the Frenchman, Dumundin, would not be able to appear as the opponent of Hood, and I can well understand the anxiety to have some outstanding feature in the night's programme. But why Joe Bloomfield?

Hood and Bloomfield are naturally very sore at the decision of J. W. H. T. Douglas, who was in the chair, and at the dreadful sequel. But they can do no more than grin and bear it. It was obvious, if only for the good of the game of boxing, and that is all I am concerned about, that the ruling of Mr. Douglas could not be left where it was. Clearly was the case one for the Board of Control. And I would compliment the members of that body on the promptitude with which they acted. Since Lord Lonsdale was in the chair, it follows

HIGH SCORING.

HOME LEAGUE CRICKET SURPRISES.

SUSSEX BEATS NOTTS.

At the Oval Surrey took first innings points in their game with Hampshire. Surrey scored 459. Hampshire made 224 and, following on, 454 for six (Newman 115). At Cambridge the University drew with Leicestershire.

Cambridge scored 381 (Morgan 111, Longfield 120) and 73 for six. Leicestershire made 169, Blundell taking six for 25; and 394. At Manchester Lancashire defeated Northamptonshire by an innings and 16 runs.



Tate.

Lancashire scored 528 for four declared (Watson 228, Hallows 100, E. Tyldesley 140 not out).

Northants made 284, R. Tyldesley taking eight for 62, and 223. At Nottingham Sussex defeated Notts by an innings and nine runs.

Notts scored 229, Tate taking six for 59; and 278. Sussex replied with 516 for eight declared (Bowley 144, J. Parks 162, Langridge 114).

At Derby the West Indies defeated the county by two wickets. Derbyshire scored 159 and 177. The West Indies replied with 155, Slater taking eight for 24; and 185 for eight.—Reuter.

automatically that the boxers had a fair and sympathetic hearing.

There is no greater champion of the professional fighter than Lord Lonsdale. If he could have seen a way out, there would have been no suspension. That it hurt him to put Hood and Bloomfield on the shelf for a couple of months goes without saying. The trade of fighting is ordinarily hard enough in all conscience without the application of the coal hammer, as represented by the decision of the Board of Control.

"No contest" means that neither Hood nor Bloomfield can hope for any money from their affair at the Club, but from a financial point of view Hood has been hit terribly hard, for his suspension means that the match with Mancini has been called off. And Mancini, for his part, must consider that he has no luck. The chances were that a fight between Hood and Mancini would have brought both more money than any other contest in which they have engaged. I was given to understand that there was the keenest possible demand for tickets, and that the "gate" would be in the neighbourhood of £5,000—near to a record for Holland Park.

Hard on Everybody.

But what must hurt Hood particularly is the stigma imposed on his reputation by suspension. The N.S.C. have, of course, suffered a serious financial loss, and there is no one who is not the worse for what has happened. Oh, the pity of it all! Still, the happening may do a deal of good in the long run. There are times when there is room for the employment of the iron hand. It is certain that young Mr. Douglas would not have ordered Hood and Bloomfield out of the ring had he not felt that he had no other alternative.

That he gave the fighters every warning that he was not at all satisfied with their ways will not be denied. Three times did he caution them before he stopped the bout. And whatever Hood and Bloomfield may say and think, there is this fact that I would have them remember. The action of the referee was most cordially approved by the vast majority of those who had places at the ringside. There has seldom been a verdict that has won such warm and whole-hearted approval. If Hood and Bloomfield are wise, they will try to forget what has transpired, and think only of and concentrate on the future.

Tom Heeney, as is known, is back from the States, and on the occasion of the appearance of Hood and Bloomfield at the Club he was introduced from the ring to the members. He looked in the pink of condition. It is not possible to say just now what his immediate plans are, though, of course, he is living in the high expectancy that he will be cabled any day now by Rickard to return to New York to prepare for Tunney.

He fears neither Tunney nor any man, which is what you would expect from a New Zealander. There have been stories going around that Rickard has decided that Heeney must tackle Johnny Risko and beat the Cleveland baker's boy before he is put into a fight with Tunney. But surely Heeney has already done that body on the promptitude with which they acted. Since Lord Lonsdale was in the chair, it follows

OPEN GOLF.

112 QUALIFY FOR BRITISH TEST.

RECORD EQUALLED.

Sandwich, Yesterday. In the open championships Jose Jurado, Argentine, with 69 to-day equalled the professional record for the St. George's course. He is now leading with 144. H. Jolly of Fox Grove returned 73 to-day and has a score of 147. Other leading qualifiers are:—

Davis 151
Barnes, Sarazen, Stewart 152
Hagen, Compston 153
Melhorn, Mitchell, Braid 154
Smith, T. Cotton 155
Armour 156
Hodson, Newport (71) 148.
Duncan (77) 150.

The first amateur is Torrance (79) 153.

Havers (79) 156.

Gadd (76) 157.

Herd (78) 157.

McHugh (80) 157.

Wethered (78) 159.

The seventh American is B. Stupple (80) 161.

112 competitors qualified, including all the prominent players.

There were seven Americans, seven French, two Spaniards, one each from the Argentine, Germany and Australia.

The most striking failure was Dr. Tweddell, the amateur champion.

Three Americans failed, Nabholz, Newton and Joshua Crane, who had the worst aggregate but one, 184.—Reuter.

COMPSTON AGAIN.

The Challenge From America.

New York, Yesterday.

Having provisionally arranged a challenge match between MacDonald Smith and Archie Compston, the Lakeville Golf Club, Great Neck, Long Island, where Smith is professional, announce they are prepared to back Smith and Gene Sarazen against any pair in the world up to \$10,000.

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INTERPORT CRICKET.

LOCAL SELECTIONS FOR SHANGHAI.

TO SAIL MAY 22.

The Hong Kong Interport Cricket team to go to Shanghai has been provisionally chosen as follows:—

H. R. B. Hancock (Captain).
A. W. Hayward.
H. Owen Hughes.
G. R. Sayer.
Capt. A. N. Reynolds.

Lieut. A. H. Musson, R.A.
E. C. Fincher.

A. W. Ramsey.

Rev. E. K. Quick.

Capt. I. Erskine.

S. Jex.

Capt. N. Thorp (twelfth man).

It is understood that the team will sail on the "President Grant" on May 22. The Interport match will take place on Saturday, May 26, Monday, the 28th and Tuesday, the 29th, whilst a game with the British United Services is being arranged for May 31 and June 1.

ARMED ROBBERY.

CENTRAL CITY PREMISES BOLDLY ATTACKED.

OUTRAGEOUS AFFAIR.

The offices of the Shanghai Fire and Marine Insurance Co., in Des Voeux-road Central, were the scene of a daring robbery early last evening. The employees of the Company were still at work when six or seven men entered and held them up at revolver point. The intruders spoke little but acted swiftly and in a manner which made it clear to their victims that they meant business. In face of this, resistance was useless and dangerous.

The victims submitted quietly and were all driven into a lavatory behind the premises. Having secured the safe key from the manager, Mr. Ko Wing-po, the robbers helped themselves to notes and silver to the value of \$1,500, and a quantity of jewellery worth over \$2,000. The intruders left after staying about 15 minutes on the premises.

Immediately on being informed of the robbery, the police started investigations which resulted in a suspect being detained by a Chinese detective. A large amount of banknotes is reported to have been discovered on this man's person when he was searched.

DO YOU KNOW?

Answers to To-day's Questions.

1. Street called Long Acre, in London, is named after "the meadow ground known as the Long Acre," of which it once formed part.

2. Saffron is the dried portions of the flowers of *Saffron Crocus*.

3. St. Paul and Minneapolis are the "twin cities of Minnesota."

4. Salads are so called because salt (salado) is an important, and was formerly the principal, ingredient.

5. Old Sarum is a hill near Salisbury, formerly the site of a city of the same name.

6. Salmon is known as part when young and as grilse when about three years old.

Naples, April 8.—Fifty of the principal members of the Tait-Williamson Grand Opera Company for Australia embarked on the "Orsova" to-day. The newspapers say the company is the most brilliant ever sent from Italy. The Mayor of Rome personally bade the artistes farewell, and the poet d'Annunzio sent a message to Madame Toti dal Monte:—"The roses in my garden are blooming but you, the nightingale, are absent."

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FASHIONS AND FANCIES

THE BLOUSED FROCK.



New Dresses Making Their Appearance to Foretell An Early Spring Emphasis the Feminine Note.

Details of a decidedly feminine nature are outstanding features of the frocks that will put in an early spring appearance. The feminine note, both in skirt and blouse, is indeed one of the most important features of the Paris openings. The day of the very straight and very simple frock has gone the way of all fashions and has been succeeded by a simple enough, but decidedly softened silhouette. There are cape effects on coats and dresses; there are panels to rob the severity of outline; there are pleats and shirtings to create interest; there are necklines of unusual appeal and charm; there are scarf effects of infinite variety and colourful appeal; there are snug waists and blouses of a charming fullness—indeed, there are notes of utmost appeal in the styles that will once more usher in a happy springtime.

Chief among the important items is the bloused dress. After the one-piece frocks the two-piece dresses and the extremely tailored mode, these bloused effects are extremely important and satisfying. And they are most feminine in their appeal.

The apron frock, too, is a note to be noticed in selecting early spring models. It lends a graceful touch and breaks up the too-straight outline in a decidedly pleasing way. Ann Rork in First National's "A Texas Steer" wears a charming afternoon frock of "Lindy" cream—a lighter shade than blonde—crepe satin that features both the bloused effect and the apron front. The dress is simple in its appeal, yet is distinguished by a feminine softness of silhouette.

BEAUTY HINTS.

Applying and Blending Face Powders.

When a swan-down powder-puff is used for the first time it is often found that tiny particles of fluff adhere to the skin, and the powder is not always distributed evenly over the face. This can be easily overcome by putting some face cream on the palm of the hand and rubbing the puff well on to the cream. The powder should then be applied and worked well into the puff. Many women do not realise that

SHOES AND STOCKINGS OF INFINITE VARIETY.



The Present Day Mode Introduces Many Types of Footwear for All Occasions. Stockings Are Interestingly New.

There is much imagination exhibited in the designing and creating of modern footwear. There are so many types of shoes for a single occasion that it needs a discriminating person to select shoes that match the costume in every detail. There are, of course, general kinds for stated occasions, but these are divided into so many groups and each group possesses so many divisions that there should always be an interesting number of shoes to select from when planning a chic ensemble.

While combinations of leathers are used extensively, shoes in all black and all brown are greatly favoured in the daytime mode. Patent leather ranks highest in favour in black, followed by suede and kid. In brown, calf, kid and suede come in their respective turns. In the combinations beige and brown are happily used. Kid and suede, calf and leather. Lizard and black kid and grey lizard and grey kid are also used. Black combined with lizard and python is especially smart when patent leather is used.

Buckles appear especially smart

the blending of different shades of powder is a great help to looking nice. For instance, one's skin may be too fair for a rachel yet too dark for a natural powder, but possibly by blending the two the right shade will be achieved.

Complexion in Warm Weather. "It is especially essential to blend powders in warm weather," said a beauty specialist in North Audley-street, "because the heat of the atmosphere and the sun affects the colour of the skin materially. Consequently the face powder in use in colder weather will no longer be suitable. Quite 80 per cent. of the face powders we use for our clients are blends of two or more shades."

Effect of Artificial Light. Women should remember that artificial light makes powder appear quite a different colour from the shade it appears in daylight. Therefore it is as well to try the effect in artificial light when purchasing powder to be used in the evening. It is on account of this alteration in colour that women buy the specially evening use, because these colours give a natural glow to the skin in artificial light. Green is for blondes and mauve for brunettes.

this season and are seen in both leather covered and steel cut shapes. The plain step-in pump, too, appears smartly at afternoon functions. The T strap model as well as the two or three horizontal strap effects are also smart in new spring shoes.

Sports and semi-sports shoes in combinations of colours are very stunning. Black and black and white combinations are seen, but not quite as popularly. Leathers used in these shoes are of calf, kid, suede or alligator. The Prince of Wales Oxford, one strap, step-in, and variety of pumps are the shapes most frequently seen. Contrasting leather trims are featured in these models. Toyo cloth, too, for southern and summer shoes is very popular in all shades.

Elegance of line and delicacy of colour are the chief points of interest in the evening shoes. Cut out and glittering formal types achieve the greatest distinction in the evening mode in shoes.

Ornaments for dressy shoes for both afternoon and evening are seen in all coloured stones and in cut steel.

Hosiery is newly developed along interesting weaves. All sorts of almost invisible designs are woven to create odd effects. Clocks are still much used. Little sports hose with knee decorations are new and rather good. Stripe treatment and small designs worked into the weave in sheer silks are among the latest fads.

Lois Wilson, wearing a smart mid-season ensemble in the First National film, "French Dressing," wears a velvet coat lavishly trimmed with fitch fur and shows a smart stitching about the low neckline. Miss Wilson's choice of shoes and stockings show the importance of selecting accessories with discrimination. They complete an exceedingly chic appearance.

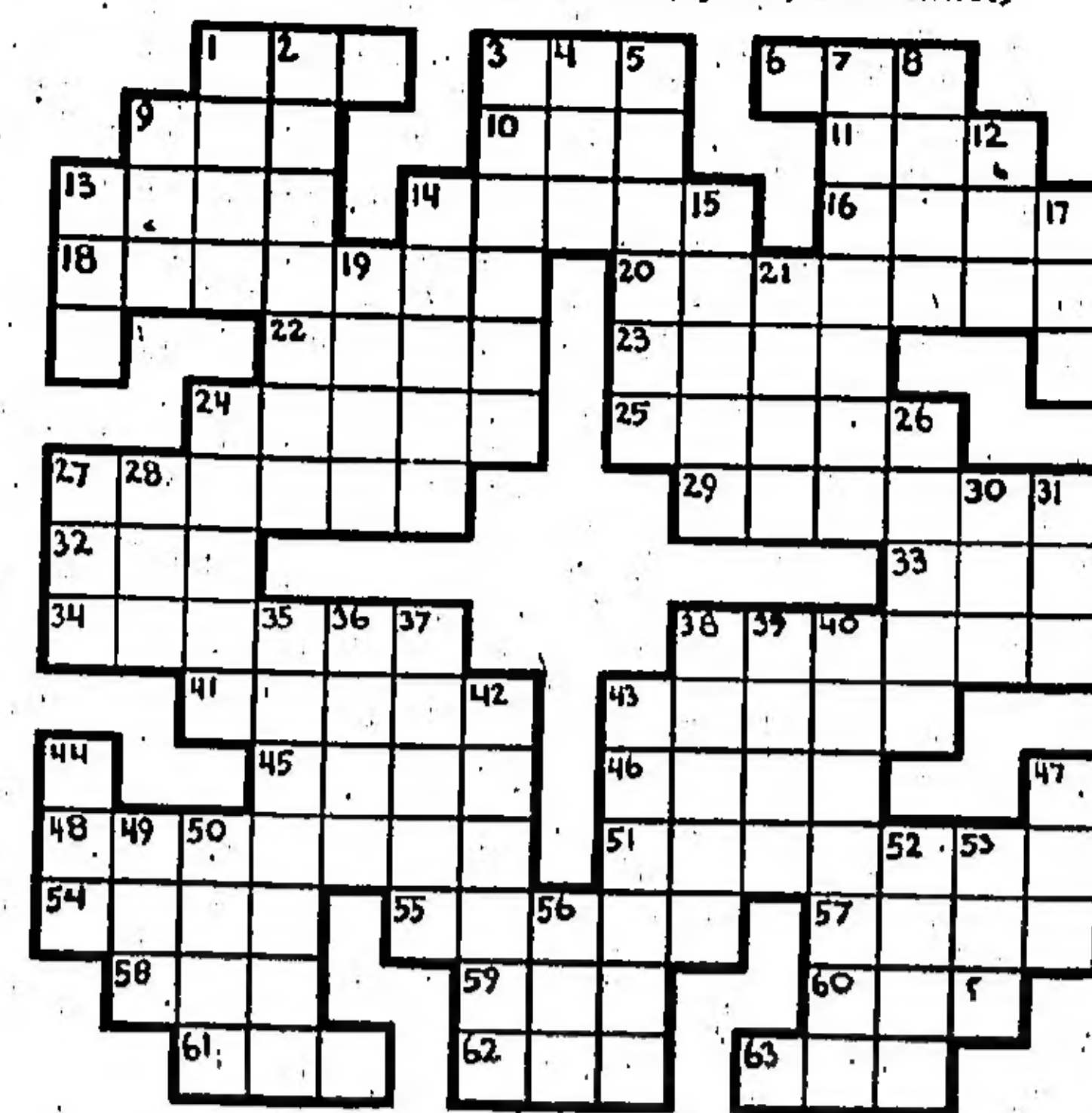
FASHIONABLE BABIES.

Princess Elizabeth Sets a New Vogue.

Children's clothes are affected by the fashions just as much as are their mothers' and grandmothers'. Miss Taylor-Smith, who designs clothes for London's Mayfair babies dwelling in luxurious nurseries, tells me that children's clothes are frequently miniature copies of grown-up garments. "Last season," she said, "we wore flowered crepe de Chine and floral chiffons, so this season the

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)

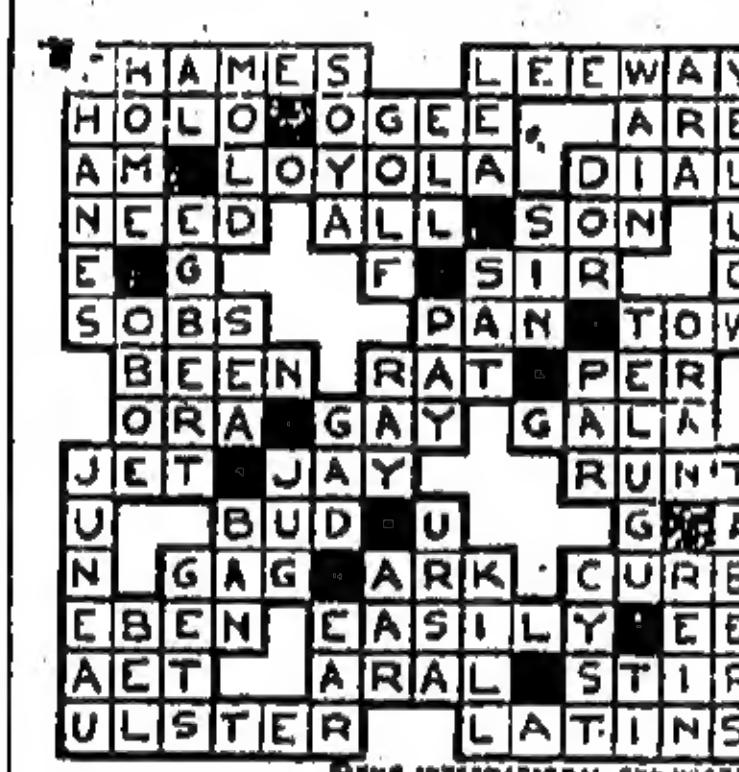


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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Detect | 31-Communication | 17-Increase in size |
| 3-Color | 32-Small bitter plum | 18-Security for payment |
| 5-Tree | 33-Part of a dynamo | 21-Attitude |
| 9-Hill (England) | 37-Snare | 24-Keen |
| 10-Unit of square measurement (Metric system) | 38-Obese | 26-Bounding surface of solid object |
| 11-Combining form meaning air | 39-Interweave | 27-Likely |
| 13-Extinct bird | 40-Cover | 28-His serene highness (abbr.) |
| 14-Aspects | 41-His serene highness (abbr.) | 29-Afternoon social function |
| 15-Forshead | 42-Unit | 30-Variety of pigeon |
| 16-Empower | 43-Ocean | 31-Fixed |
| 20-Farinasous food | | 32-Makes |
| 22-Assistant | VERTICAL | 33-Indigo plant |
| 23-English river | 1-Baking ingredient | 37-More precise |
| 24-Horse | 2-Official proof of will | 38-To thin out or fall |
| 25-Farfeit | 3-Elevated | 39-Implement for rowing |
| 27-Greek city | 4-Before | 40-Frames of a table |
| 28-Tree gum | 5-Parting to teeth | 42-Type of picture |
| 32-Vegetable | 6-Ancient people of central Italy | 43-Distant |
| 33-Owing | 7-Lander's sweetheart | 44-Pronoun |
| 34-Checked cloth | 8-Unit of weight | 47-Ginger (slang) |
| 35-Powerful | 9-Legendary bird | 48-Man's name, shortened |
| 41-Surfer | 10-That which falls lightly and refreshingly | 50-Famous navigator |
| 43-Unreasonable fear | 11-Brings up | 52-Sole part |
| 45-Wealthy | 12-Brings up | 53-Steel pointed mining tool |
| 46-To be (French) | 13-Brings up | 54-Shade of brown |
| 48-One who complicates | 14-Conquerors of Babylon | |
| | 15-Tests | |

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES.
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. There will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



smart child will be decked in these pretty materials. Most children wear silk, too, at all times, except at school, when they wear heavier and more serviceable stuff.

Fashions Set by Princess Elizabeth. "Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth set a fashion when she appeared in little white organdie frocks, with high yokes, and tiny puffed sleeves, daintily edged with lace or embroidered in delicate patterns. We sell a great many of these frocks for the baby up to three or four years of age.

"Since Princess Elizabeth has been wearing a string of coral beads round her neck which, I understand, her mother used to wear as a child, many other children wear these necklaces. Frequently, too, they have ribbons of coral colour running through the yoke of the frock to match.

Family Lace for the Very Young. "Some mothers bring in family lace to have made into robes for their babies," went on Miss Taylor-Smith. She showed me a robe of white georgette, with exquisite Honiton lace let in as a

panel in front and as a godet at the sides of the hem.

"Another fashion of the modern child is to have little dainty knickers to match each frock she wears."

To Ensure Peaceable Fittings. In order to keep the children amused when they come in to be fitted for their frocks Miss Taylor-Smith has an intriguing rocking-horse on wheels and some bewitching dolls for them to dress up as well. So children who hate the dressmaker are quite amenable in her hands and she can fit their little gowns—V. in the "Daily Mail."

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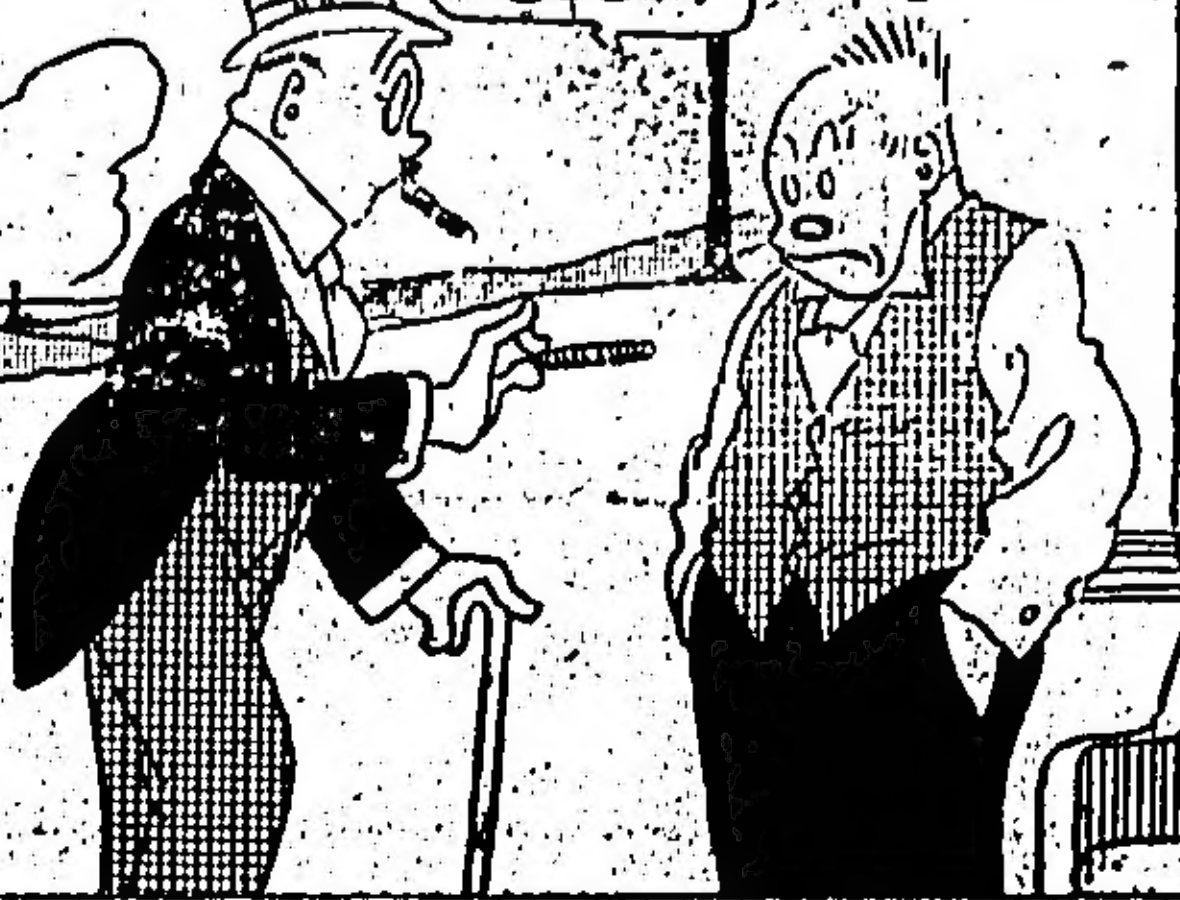
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NO HATE IN "DAWN."

BELGIAN PRAISE FOR NURSE CAVELL FILM.

COLUMNS OF PRAISE.

Brussels.—Amid columns of praise, the Belgian Press can find only one criticism to level against the Nurse Cavell film, "Dawn," which was shown for the first time in public recently in a Brussels cinema.

PAVLOVA SWAN.

IN DISGRACE AFTER OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC.

A "GAOL-BIRD."

One of Pavlova's swans was arrested at Golder's Green recently and lodged in a cell at the police station, charged with obstructing the traffic, and assaulting the police. Its identity had not then been discovered. Inquiries established its



Houston, Texas.—Photos show (upper) Clem Shaver drives the mules while Jesse H. Jones handles the plow in breaking ground for temporary hall to be built for Democratic presidential convention. (Lower) General view of the site.

The "Sleek" voices the opinion of the majority of Belgian newspapers and the public when it says: Mr. Wilcox, the producer, has shown a constant and exaggerated care to present the Germans in such a favourable light that the sentencing to death of Miss Cavell becomes almost psychologically illogical. Throughout the film it is obvious that the producer has been actuated by thoughts of pacifism.

Not a single critic can find an offensive gesture in the picture. "Le Matin," of Antwerp, for instance, writes: Nothing, absolutely nothing, from beginning to end can stir up hatred against Germany. It is a placid film of concentrated emotion which the world should see.

Miss Sybil Thorndike in the role of Nurse Cavell is universally praised. "She has incarnated the part of Miss Cavell with dignified and true emotion," is the verdict of the "Nation Belge."

"Le Soir" says: "Even to the subtitles the producer has kept any thought of hate out of the film. The picture merits being seen by every Belgian."

ownership and there being extenuating circumstances, the police acceded to the appeals of Mme. Pavlova to release her pet.

Its offences, to which there was a great crowd of witnesses, arose from natural excitement after the bird had been slightly injured in an accident.

The swan arrived—apparently by air—at Golder's Green Tube station after lunch, and wandered about the station all the afternoon, as though awaiting a friend due by train. At length, showing signs of impatience, the bird flew off, and unaccountably collided with the overhead tram wires. Amid a cloud of feathers it fell to the ground, narrates the "Daily News."

P. C. Hunt, on traffic duty, went to the rescue, but his intentions were either misunderstood or resisted. The swan flew around him, fiercely striking out with its wings. The contest continued for some time, all traffic being held up and a big crowd looking on. At last the constable gained the mastery and marched off with the bird under his arm to the lock-up.

It was discovered that the swan—one of seven kept by Mme. Pav-

THEATRE CROWD.

LONDON SCENES ON A RECENT NIGHT.

FAINTING WOMEN.

Extraordinary scenes took place at the Lyceum Theatre, Strand, on a recent night when some 20 police tried to control a crowd—estimated at 7,000—of people who had been standing all the afternoon in a queue in the hope of seeing the variety performance given in aid of the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn-road.

The whole of the island site was surrounded by the queue, which was four deep, and within ten minutes of the opening of the theatre's doors all the unreserved parts, pit, gallery, and pit stalls, were full.

Exeter-street, Tavistock-street, and Wellington-street were impassable, and traffic in the Strand became disorganised. Many women fainted in the crush.

Ticket-Holders Guarded. The queue stretched up Burleigh-street to Covent Garden, and when it was announced that the gallery was full an attempt was made to rush the doors, and extra police were sent to reinforce the men guarding the pit entrance, to which hundreds of people hurried from the gallery doors.

Five constables struggled to get the pit doors closed, while others tried to prevent the crowd from rushing the entrance. From the pit the crowd surged to the front of the house, and within a few minutes the main staircase was thronged with people clamouring for admission.

Meanwhile, ticket-holders had to be escorted through the crowd by constables who pushed a way through.

Finally more police arrived and lined the main entrance, but it was more than half an hour before the street was cleared.

President Coolidge has sent a message to Congress requesting the appropriation of \$20,000 as expenses for United States participation in the international conference in London in 1929, which would seek a revision of the 1914 Safety of Life at Sea Convention.

lova in her garden in North End-road, Golder's Green—flew away from home about three weeks ago. The gaol-bird was utterly shameless when it returned in disgrace, still holding its head as high as ever.

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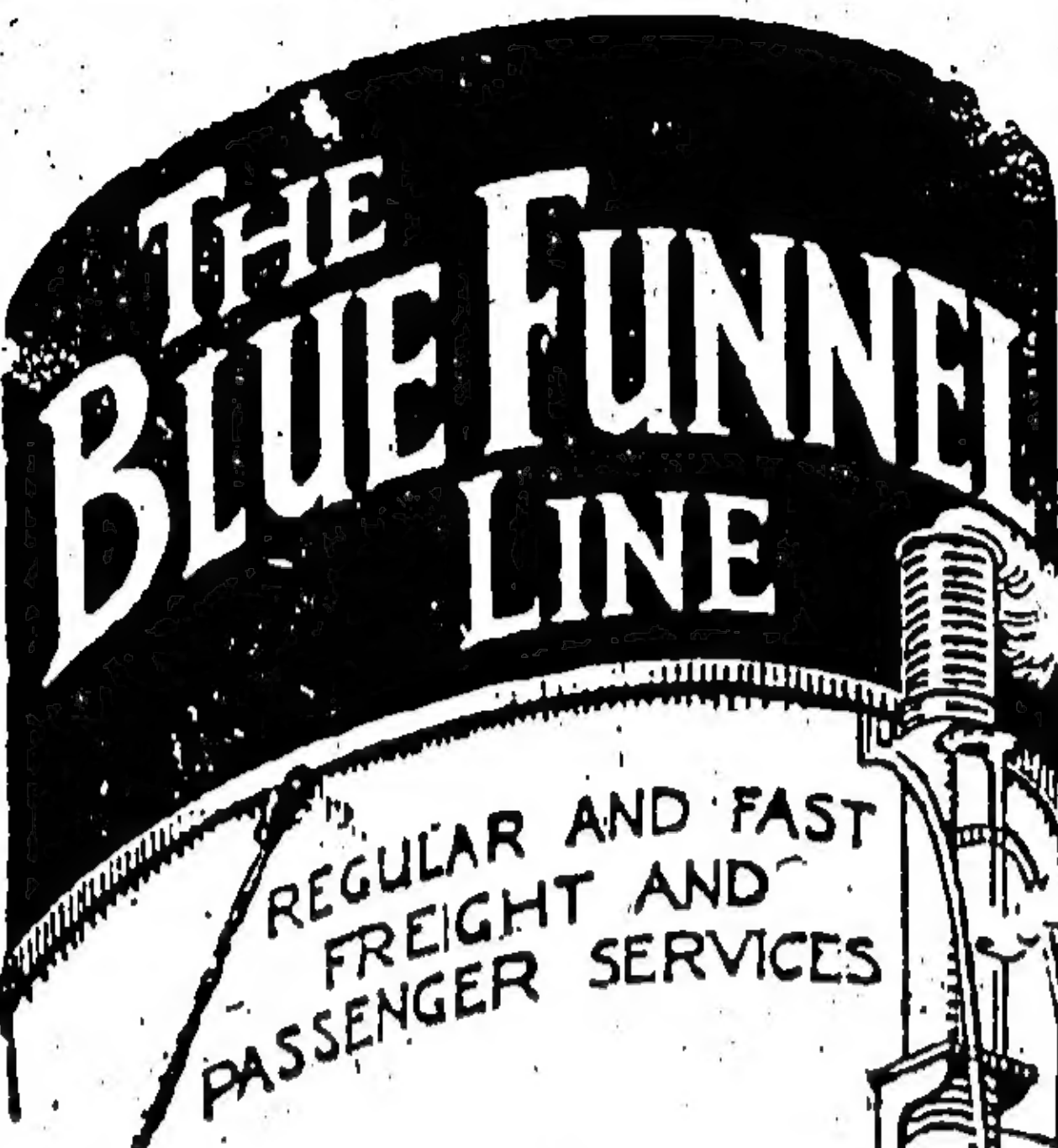
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Swatow, Amoy and Poochow ... Hai Ching 2 p.m.	
Shanghai ... Suiyang 5 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 9th June, K.P.O. Parcel 4.30 p.m. Registration (May 12th) 9 a.m. Letters (May 12th) 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcel 5 p.m. Registration (May 12th) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. ... Kashgar	
SATURDAY, MAY 12.	
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 5th June ... Talithybus 10 a.m.	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia ... Novara 3.30 p.m.	
Amoy ... Anhui 5 p.m.	

Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

BRITISH TRADE.

Country Returning To Normal.

CYCLE INDUSTRY.

Britain Leads In Motor And Pedal Cycles.

London, Yesterday. It is suggested that it would not necessarily be advantageous for the manufacturers to establish in Britain systems for mass production of common qualities of steel products. It is declared that the position of industry is improving, manufacturers being convinced that Britain has got back to the normal rate of steady increase that obtained before 1914.

It is noted that the motor industry is improving and that Britain is likely to lead the world in production of motor cycles, the only serious competitor being the United States. Britain also leads in pedal cycles, Germany coming next. Great progress has been made since the war in electrical manufacturing. The output of lamps has been better since the war than before and exports of telegraph and telephone instruments and apparatus have increased. The export of electric lamps has more than trebled in the same period. We have regained supremacy in shipbuilding. The tonnage launched in 1927 rose to nearly fifty-four per cent. of the world's output.—British Wireless Service.

"THE SCAPEGOAT."

CARRYING CONTRABAND OPIUM AT 10 CTS. PER TAEI.

COUNSEL'S PLEA.

A Chinese named Ho Yung was, this morning, charged by Chief Preventive Officer Clark, before Major C. Willson, with the unlawful possession of 140 taels of prepared, non-Government opium. Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios, who appeared for the defence, said that having regard to the circumstances under which the accused was found with the opium, he had advised him to plead "guilty" to a technical offence. He (Mr. Remedios) proposed to put the facts of the case before his Worship, and would ask him, in view of the peculiar circumstances of the case, to deal with the accused leniently.

Plea for Leniency.

The accused, Mr. Remedios said, was a runner to a broker. Yesterday he met an acquaintance named Wong San who told him that he had a friend who wanted to buy shares, and invited the accused to go to the Chung Kwok restaurant to meet the prospective buyer. They went to the restaurant in the company of three other Chinese, but found that the man who wanted to buy shares was not there. They sat in a room for a while waiting for Wong San's friend, after which Wong asked the other three men to go and look for the prospective buyer. After the accused and Wong were left alone in the room, the latter put before the accused a proposition to carry contraband opium, offering him ten cents per tael. Whilst this conversation was going on, Revenue Officers raided the room. Wong escaped but the accused was detained, and when the opium was found in the room he was arrested.

Mr. Remedios suggested that the accused had been made the scapegoat, and he had advised the accused to plead guilty because he had admitted to C.P.O. Clark that he had intended to carry the opium for Wong San.

Major Willson said that in the circumstances he did not see how it could be said that the accused was "the scapegoat."

Mr. Remedios replied that accused was the scapegoat in that he was prevailed upon in the first place to go to the restaurant on the pretext that Wong San had a customer for shares, and it was afterwards that for Murphy for allowing the basement of the house to be used for the question of the opium was brought up. Mr. Remedios added that he thought Mr. Clark would agree with him that the accused was more of a fool than a knave. Replying to the Magistrate, C. P. O. Clark said that Mr. Remedios had told the Magistrate all that he could have said about the matter, but the fact remained that

HEAVY PENALTY.

Hungarian Writer And Appeal Court.

REVISED SENTENCE.

Quarter Of A Million Pengoes For The Treasury.

Budapest, Yesterday. The Court of Appeal has reduced the sentence on Hatvany to four years' imprisonment and a fine of 6,000 pengoes with ten years' deprivation of political rights along with payment of a quarter of a million pengoes as damages to the treasury.—Reuter.

[A Reuter telegram, dated Budapest February 2, stated:—Louis Hatvany, the famous writer and politician, was sentenced after a one-day trial to seven years' imprisonment, a fine of 5,500, the payment of 217,500 to the Treasury, the payment of the costs of the prosecution and loss of political rights for ten years. These drastic penalties were inflicted in consequence of writings criticising the "White regime" in Hungary while in exile after the downfall of the Communist regime. On return from exile Hatvany was arrested and tried on a charge of damaging the good name of Hungary abroad.]

RUSSIAN PRINCE.

KILLED IN A STREET BRAWL AT NICE.

EMPLOYED AS ELECTRICIAN.

Nice, Yesterday. Prince Jean Kropotkin, nephew of the well-known anarchist, was involved in a street brawl last night, with the result that some Ameri-

IT MAY RAIN.

N.E. winds, moderate to fresh, cloudy, probably rain later, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

A fresh anticyclone has developed over N. China and a depression covers Japan. The typhoon is situated more than 300 miles E.S.E. of Aparri, moving north-east.

Typhoon Warning.

The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory at 9 a.m. to-day:—5 p.m., 8th: Typhoon in about 12deg. Long. E. and 15deg. Lat. N., moving N.

can sailors hit him on the head. The blows were not heavy enough to kill in the ordinary way, but the prince's skull had been trampled during the war. The post-mortem revealed that he died from cerebral hemorrhage.

The prince fought under General Wrangel against the Bolsheviks. He was lately employed at a film studio as an electrician.—Reuter.

PROPAGANDA!

SOVIET'S PERNICIOUS METHODS IN EGYPT.

Cairo, Yesterday. The documents seized in connection with the arrest of Communists in Cairo, none of whom were Egyptians, show that those arrested were in direct relations with Moscow. From this source they received funds and propaganda to induce Egyptian youths to go to Moscow to study Bolshevik principles.—Reuter.

KING'S BIRTHDAY.

RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Invitations are issued for a reception at Government House on the evening of June 4 at 9.30 o'clock in celebration of the birthday of His Majesty the King.

the accused was in the room with the opium, and had admitted that he was going to carry it for ten cents per tael.

Major Willson imposed a fine of \$5,000, or, in default, six months' hard labour.

MANILA FEARS.

Water Shortage Is Threatened.

ENGINEER ALARMED.

Faucets At Public Baths And Laundries To Close.

Manila, May 5. City Engineer Santiago Artiga contemplated taking steps to reduce to the lowest minimum possible the water consumption of the city government as a measure of economy.

Mr. Artiga was alarmed yesterday over the increase in consumption reported to him by the Superintendent of Sanitation, Transportation, Parks and Cemeteries, for last month.

Economy in water consumption is contemplated, because the city government has to pay water charges in accordance with the contract signed by it and the Metropolitan Water District.

According to reports received by Mr. Artiga yesterday, the city's water consumption last month amounted to 78,785 cubic metres, or 20,589 cubic meters greater than the February consumption.

The City Engineer will order that some of the faucets at the public baths and laundries be closed. A general notice about the proper use of the faucets will be posted in those places.

FOKI & DYNAMITE.

200 STICKS REMOVED FROM A QUARRY.

TWO MONTHS' JAIL.

For being in unlawful possession of 200 sticks of dynamite a quarry foki of Tai Wan, was this morning, at the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. W. Schofield, sentenced to two months' imprisonment, with the alternative of \$100 fine.

According to Inspector James's evidence the defendant was seen by a constable walking along Tai Wan-road with a big sack on his back some time last night. The defendant was stopped and on investigation it was found that the sack contained a number of sticks of dynamite.

At the Police station, Inspector James found out that the foki was ordered to take the articles to the Tai Wan beach by a man he could not define clearly or even appeared to know. The foki was employed as a watchman to look after the dangerous goods stored in No. 77 magazine next to the China Light and Power Co., premises at Hung Hom.

The quarry master said that he went to Hong Kong at 3 p.m. yesterday and the foki was left in charge of the goods. On returning, he was notified by the Police of the arrest.

Cross-examined, the master said that he did not know why the foki took the dynamite or for whom.

Accused was found "guilty," of unlawful possession of dangerous goods, and the above sentence was imposed.

"CONSPIRACY."

SEQUEL TO THE ARRESTS AT DONETZ COAL BASIN.

Moscow, Yesterday. As a result of the preliminary enquiry into the charge framed as "a revolutionary conspiracy to wreck the coal mines of Shakhty in the district of the Donetz coal basin," 50 Russians and 8 Germans will be charged with planning an "economic counter revolution."—Reuter.

ASSASSINATED?

UNCONFIRMED REPORT AS TO SENOR GOMEZ.

New York, Yesterday. There is an unconfirmed report that Senor Gomez, the President of Venezuela, has been assassinated.—Reuter's American Service.

A Chinese trader, living at No. 181, Des Voeux-road, West, reported to the police on Monday that at 5 p.m. he entrusted to two coolies 200 catties of salt fish worth \$80 and a box of clothing, worth \$92, to take on board the s.s. "Charles Hardouin," and the men absconded with the property.

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